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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE OF RACE LEADERS

ALL SHADES OF THOUGHT PRESENT

A Tacit Agreement of Independence the Outcome—A Panorama of Daily Life in and About the City of Washington.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—Bishop Alexander Walters, now the head of the Sixth Episcopal District, which includes the District of Columbia, was host at a remarkable conference of race leaders Monday evening at the home of the widow of the late Bishop J. W. Smith, whom Bishop Walters succeeds. In this unique gathering every shade of political, educational, religious, commercial and professional thought was represented by an able exponent, and the range of discussion was absolutely unlimited. It may be fittingly styled a "love feast," for however the guests may have differed in their individual beliefs, there was mutual respect upon all sides for the faith that was in their neighbors about them. Perfect freedom governed the expressions of the occasion, and touching the mooted questions of the day there was a frankness that would probably have startled any other community than cosmopolitan Washington.

In short there were present gentlemen who followed the doctrines of Booker T. Washington and there were those who took the opposite view. There were staunch adherents of the administration of President Taft, and there were those who would regard his renomination as a calamity to the Negro. Colonel Roosevelt had his admirers and his critics. Some would like to have as the republican nominee in 1912 anybody save the two most prominent men in the presidential limelight. Judson Harmon had his friends, as did Woodrow Wilson, Champ Clark and William Jennings Bryan. Champions of the local school system and those who would wipe it out of existence touched elbows in cordial fashion. Good fellowship was the order of the hour. It was remarked more than once that the Negro race has on no other occasion given so many tangible evidences of its intelligence and culture, its tolerance and mental strength at such close range, anywhere in the land.

The central figure of the conference, of course, was Bishop Walters, whose whole-souled geniality, hearty enthusiasm and perennial optimism set the pace for the free-for-all discussion. He made no concealment of the fact that he was in frequent consultation with leaders of the democratic party, and from the apparently sincere protestations of friendship on their part for the colored people who might see their way to act with them in future campaigns, even on an independent basis, he felt that a division of the Negro vote along the lines of principle and local issues would prove to be the wisest course in the present political crisis. In the interchange of thought which followed, and in which all participated in a more or less definite way, the consensus of opinion seemed to be that as the situation has not as yet so crystalized as to enable the race to form a proper estimate of next year's probabilities or possibilities, no declaration would be given out as a mass for publication. It was generally agreed that each man must work out his own destiny after the dictates of his conscience, and that men and measures would be passed upon as the time became ripe to take action with reference to them. Just now it seemed to be a case of waiting for the light. It was unanimously voted that the conference was the most satisfactory that the prime factors in Washington's variegated life had enjoyed within memory and the company dispersed with a feeling that "it was good to have been there."

A delightful dinner, embracing the choicest menu that the market afforded, was prepared by Mrs. Ida V. Smith, who was happily assisted in serving it by Mrs. John C. Dancy and Miss Nellie A. Johnson. Bishop Walters was toasted as "an ideal host," and his welcome to the diocese was of the warmest character.

Those who took part in the "love feast," for both the mental and physical man, aside from the host, were:

Judge Robert H. Terrell, of the Municipal Court; Whitefield Mcinlay, Collector of Customs, Port of Georgetown; Prof. Roscoe Conkling Bruce, Assistant Superintendent of the Public Schools; Judge M. W. Gibbs, of Arkansas, former Consul to Madagascar; Prof. Kelly Miller, of Howard University; Daniel Murray, Assistant Librarian of Congress; Prof. A. H. Grimke, of Boston, former Consul to Santo Domingo; Rev. S. L. Corrothers, pastor of Galbraith A. M. E. Zion church; Rev. I. N. Ross, pastor of Metropolitan A. M. E. church; Francis J. Grimke, pastor of the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian church; Mr. John C. Dancy, editor The Zion Quarterly, former Recorder of Deeds and president of the Lincoln Memorial Building Company; Mr. T. J. Calloway, general manager Lincoln Memorial Building Company; Dr. John R. Francis, former Surgeon-in-Chief of Freedmen's Hospital; Rev. J. Milton Waldron, pastor Shiloh Baptist church; Mr. W. H. Harris, law and real estate; and Mr. R. W. Thompson, manager of Thompson's National News Bureau."

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The appointment of the Hon. Charles D. Hilles as secretary to the president, comes as a refreshing breeze to the colored people who know of his sturdy friendship for the race. As Assistant Secretary of the Treasury he has been able to render signal service in behalf of numerous efficient colored men in the department whose cases had been hanging fire for a long time. In many respects he was regarded as the "right hand" of the administration, in working out the problems affecting our people. In his new fieldd he will have a larger opportunity for usefulness to the nation, and it is certain that the Negroes of the land will feel in closer touch with the White House because of his presence there. In Mr. Hilles, who will be to all intents and purposes an "assistant President," the deserving colored men who have borne the party's burden in the heat of the day will find a friend who has the courage to carry their cause in authoritative fashion to the forces "higher up". It is violating no confidence to give out the prediction that within the fewest of weeks there will be some pleasant surprises in store for the Negro republicans of the land. The President could not have made a wiser selection than that of Mr. Hilles for this important position.

The statement is again made that the appointment of Mr. James C. Napier as Register of the Treasury will be made in a few days and that Assistant District Attorney William H. Lewis will be named as Assistant Attorney General of the United States. It is asserted with confidence that Register Vernon will be assigned to a place entirely acceptable and that steps will be taken to array the administration forces in a solid phalanx for the fight that awaits the party in the coming campaign. With the independents buckling on their armor and eager for the fray, the rank and file of the regulars are insisting that the federal magnates, like Henry Lincoln Johnson, Whitefield McKinlay, Ralph W. Tyler, Cyrus Field Adams, James A. Cobb, W. T. Vernon and their adherents of the press together and map out a program for action. Reinforced by Harry S. Cummings, Charles W. Anderson, John C. Dancy, Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, and others, the combination ought to be a strong one. Each state has leaders who must be reckoned with, and it is none too soon to begin to count noses and get the machine in readiness for battle. In answer to numerous inquiries, your correspondent must repeat that, though the situation is not quite so hazy as it seemed last week, the term "chaotic" may still be fittingly be applied to it.

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Letters from colored organizations and colored citizens from all over the country have poured into the office of Senator Root, congratulating him upon his great speech in opposition to the Borah bill, and requesting copies for careful reading and future reference. One very impressive letter was sent by the Men's Sunday Club, of Spokane, Wash., another from the Frederick Douglass Civic Center, Chicago, and another by the Council of Upper Classmen of this city. The republican clubs in many political centers sent resolutions that had been adopted in their open sessions and at mass meetings. The Sutherland amendment to the Borah bill, giving the federal authorities supervision over the election of United States Senators in the various States, has been passed by the House, and is now before the Senate. As much as the country may believe in the popular election of Senators, it is doubtful if the Borah bill, tied up with the federal control of elections, will be accepted by the South, which is not inclined to take any chance of a breaking down of its "grandfather clauses" for the sake of a visionary principle. It looks as if there will be no change in the present system of electing Senators by the State legislature. And all on account of their interjection of the inevitable "race problem!"

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The colored Y. M. C. A. building is nearing completion. Prof. John T. Layton is getting satisfactory results out of the vocal music department, and an orchestra has been organized under the direction of Prof. J. Sherman Hunnicutt. The secretary, Mr. L. E. Johnson, is after the loan sharks and more cases have been discovered where relief could be justly extended. Some big Sunday meetings at the Howard Theater have been planned by Mr. Johnson.

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The News in Brief.

Prof. H. E. Hagans, financial agent of the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., was in the city Saturday. Dr. J. E. Shephard, president of the school, will be here this week, perfecting plans for the summer school and chautaqua, which opens July 5.

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Dr. A. M. Curtis, president of the National Medical Association, will have some announcements to make soon, touching the program for the next meeting of the organization at Hampton next August.

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The Robert T. Freeman Dental Society, made up of the twenty-five colored dentists of Washington, has agreed to give a number of hours each week free toward the care of the defective teeth of the children in the colored schools. It has been found that the teeth of 92 per cent of the students are defective, militating against the efficiency and health of the children.

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The controversy between the students of the Howard Medical School and the bolting white students from the George Washington and the Georgetown Universities, is a "closed incident."

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Your correspondent attended the banquet in Baltimore last Friday evening in honor of Mr. John E. Murray, editor of the Afro-American Ledger. Everybody had a good time. Councilman Harry S. Cummings, who will be renominated soon, made an admirable toastmaster. The Baltimore American devoted more than half a column, small type, to the proceedings at the dinner, indicating that Mr. Murphy and his friends stand "ace-high" with the journalistic big-wigs of the town. The story of the banquet was prepared by that versatile writer "natural-born" local reporter, Mr. Franklin F. Johnson and sent by messenger direct to the city editor of the American. On our way to the train for Washington at 2:30 a. m., escorted by Mr. Johnson, we were handed a copy of the American, wet from the press, containing a complete report of the banquet we had just left. This is the way they "do things" in the Baltimore, which, with all its faults, has some of the best people of both races in the country and colored citizens who know how to get the best results out of some distressing situations.

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Bishop G. W. Clinton will be here early in April. He is now at Tuskegee Institute delivering his seventeenth annual course of lectures in the theological department of the school. This year the Bishop's whole course will be a discussion of "The Rise, Early History, Struggles, Triumphs, Spread, Development and Present Status of the Christian Church." Bishop Clinton's host of friends are confident that he will be chosen as successor to the late Bishop Grant on the Jeanes Fund Board.

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The Three Browns, Harry, Lula and Frank, Indian cartoonists and singers, made a great impression upon the crowds that attended the Casino last week. They are now in Philadelphia for a three weeks' stay. On Sunday evening, Mr. Frank Fowler Brown was entertained at an informal musicale given by Drs. Arthur S. and Amanda V. Gray, 1831 Vermont avenue, northwest. While in the city the Browns were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson, 1004 S street, northwest.

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The one-time Maseo Theater is now remodeled into three cozy store rooms at the corner of 11th and U streets, northwest.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the dramatic reader, is at home from her tour of Ohio, West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania. She sails for Bermuda on March 8, where she will spend a month, filling engagements under the management of Mrs. A. L. Burgess, opening at St. George.s'

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Prof. R. R. Wright, of College, Ga., is coming this way soon in the interest of the semi-centennial exposition proposed for 1913.

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The next Congress will have a membership of 433. Not one will be a colored man.

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W. H. C. Brown, a graduate of Howard Law School and an $1,800 clerk in the office of the sixth auditor, has resigned his place and will resume the practice of law at his old home in Newport News, Va. Mr. Brown is a thrifty business man and has amassed a handsome fortune.

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Representatives of all the Zion churches will go to Philadelphia Sunday to attend the dedication of the Varick Memorial A. M. E. Zion church. Dr. Booker T. Washington will deliver the principal address. On the managing committee are Bishops G. L. Blackwell and J. S. Caldwell, Dr. J. S. Jackson, Dr. G. W. Gaines and Dr. W. H. Coffey.

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Mr. Henry O. Tanner, the famous artist, now of Paris, spent a portion of last week here. He visited the studio of Isaac Hathaway, the talented sculptor, and expressed himself as delighted with the skill and taste displayed in the artistic specimens shown by Mr. Hathway. He was particularly interested in the bust of Joe Gans, the pugilist, which is to be unveiled shortly in Baltimore.

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This is a fine week at the local theaters. Tillie Seguin, a favorite with Washingtonians, heads the bill at Ford Dabney's, and they are "turning 'em away" nightly. Jeff DeMont and Hellman, the magician, are also there. The Amphion Club packed the Hiawatha to the doors Tuesday night at all four of the shows. Susie Sutton is in her tenth week at the Foraker and by putting on new and clever "stunts" each week, her hold upon her audiences is maintained in fine fashion.

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The "Black Patti Troubadours" will appear at the New Howard week of March 13th, instead of the 6th as announced. "The Smart Set" comes week of April 3. At the Howard this week the "Capital City Comedy Company" is appearing in a musical comedy, "A Bogus Chief," with the Howard University Dramatic Company in "The Merry Wives of Windsor," using the house Thursday and Friday evenings.

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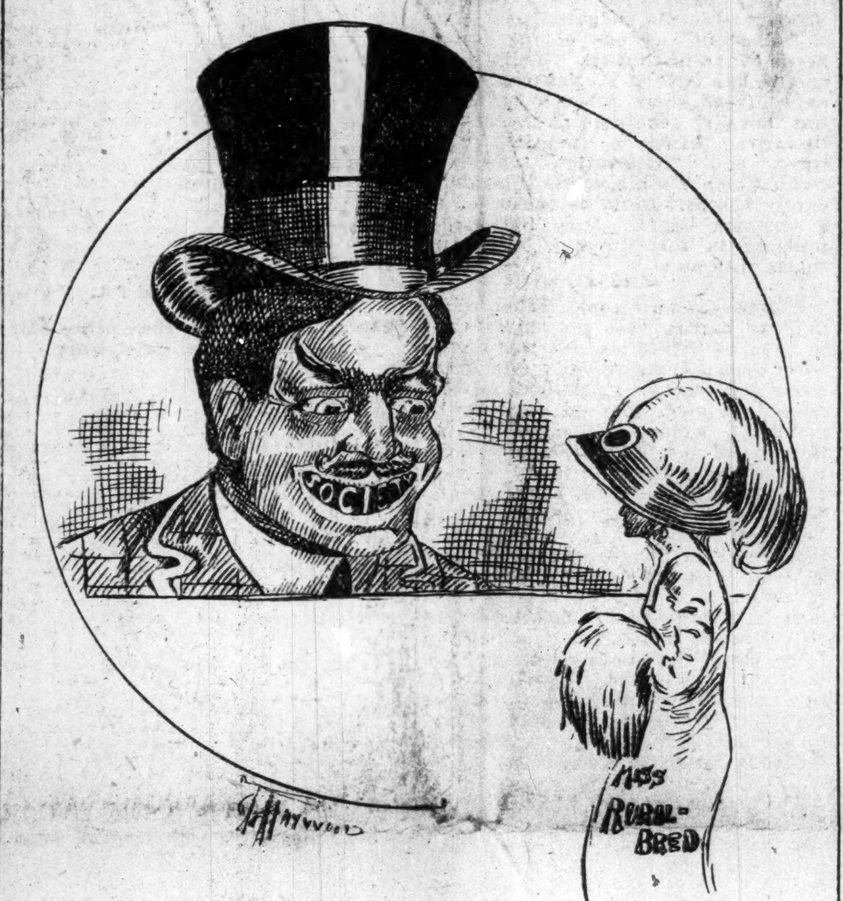
The lawyers who signed the protest against the unseemly language alleged to have been used by Justice Daniel Thew Wright in sentencing a colored man to fifteen years for snatching a white woman's pocket book, are: Joseph H. Stewart, E. M. Hewlett, James L. Neill, Richard L. Baltimore, James E. Hunt, J. Louis Taylor, Robert L. Waring, T. B. Warrick, Thomas B. Warrick and J. A. Moss. The protest and declaration for impeachment were presented to Congress by Representative Bennet, of New York, and are now being investigated by the judiciary committee, of which Mr. Parker, of New Jersey, is chairman.

THE MODERN OGRE



Corruption, under the pretense of society, is a destruction of pure womanhood.

BLOOMINGTON, ILL.

African M. E .Church, Bloomington, Ill., Rev. J. J. Evans, Pastor.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

This church has lately been remodeled and presents a beautiful appearance. The services were well attended both mornin gand evening, notwithstanding the heavy fall of snow. The choir was out in full at the evening service, and did some splendid singing, to the delight of all present. Prof. Fred D. Wyche is in charge, and is building up a fine choir. Wednesday, Feb. 22nd, will be the regular trustee election, and also the election of a delegate to meet the electoral college. The pastor has started out with something new for our spring rally. It is to be known as a mock annual conference, held by women, with the following Presiding Elders: Quincy district, Mrs. Annie Young, presiding elder; Springfield district, Mrs. Lettie Cowans, presiding elder; Cairo district, Mrs. Emily Wilson, presiding elder. Their ministers are all to be ladies, but the men are to do all the cooking and serving. The conference will last three days, including Sunday, May 14th. It is said that the men are arranging for their part already, to entertain the conference. The church is well alive, and all seem to be interested in the work....Mrs. Isaac Saunders, a well known and respected lady of Bloomington, died Wednesday at 5:10 p. m. at her residence, 306 South Main street, following a brief illness due to tuberculosis. Miss Headley was united in marriage to Isaac J. Saunders June 10, 1887. To this union a daughter born April 17, 1910, died Dec. 30. She was a devout Christian woman and a member of Mt. Pisgah Baptist church. Beside her husband she is survived by a brother, Fillmore, and a sister, Mrs. Lena Haskell. Funeral services were held at Mt. Pisgah Baptist church. She leaves a host of friends.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Madam Demby, mezzo-soprano, of the Boston conservatory, will give a concert in Hill City, Feb. 28. She will be assisted by Miss Helen Johnson....Hiawatha will be played by the pupils of the Howard high school in the early spring....Miss Mattie Jackson, a teacher of the Howard high school, was called to the bedside of her father in Memphis, Tenn....Prof. Hale, principal of E. Fifth street school, is in Nashville, on a business trip....Mrs. Maude Ware died at her home on Third street Thursday night, and was buried Sunday afternoon. She leaves a large number of relatives and a host of friends to mourn her loss....Miss Mattie Davis was hostess of the Midlothian Club, Monday evening, Feb. 26. Miss Helen Johnson will be the next hostess at her home on Spring street....The Minuet Club met with Miss Maude Hixon Saturday afternoon....The members of the Elite Club are planning to give a dance at the Masonic Hall, sometime in March.

WAXAHOCHIE, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Westbrooks left Tuesday evening, February 21st, for New Orleans, to attend the Mardi Gras....Miss N. Davis died Tuesday, February 21st. She had been in bad health for some time....The High School baseball team played three games, and won all of them. They defeated Hillsboro 4 to 0 The High School Literary Society turned out last Friday, February 24th, and their was an excellent program. The High School team will play Ennis High School Saturday, March 4th. The battery for Waxahachie will be Swancy and Flowers....The Comedy Company was a success Saturday night, February 24th....We are glad to see that Ellis Nichols is up again.

PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

COUNTY TEACHERS HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING

INTERESTING SUBJECTS DISCUSSED

For the Good of the Work—The Alumni of the Central High School Gives Dance and Banquet—Lincoln Club Entertains.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Eva H. Gaddie returns her thanks for the numerous beautiful presents of which she was the recipient upon the occasion of her graduation last month.

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Mr. Peter F. Walker, proprietor of the cafe at 1003 W. Walnut street, is having everything overhauled and renovated for the spring trade. Mr. Walker believes with Keats that "A thing of beauty is a joy forever."

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Mr. James Hughes, of 1530 W. Chestnut street, has gone to Chicago, to accept an appointment as clerk in the postoffice department. Mr. Hughes passed a brilliant examination, and his good fortune is a reward of well-earned merit. His standing here in school was always high, and he has always been a close and diligent student.

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The Jefferson County Teachers' Association held a very important meeting on Feb. 25, in Parkland. The program was replete with good essays and instructive addresses. One of the subjects taken up for discussion was "How does the attitude of a community promote or hinder the efficient work of the teacher?" Mr. J. E. Bush is the president and Miss E. J. Alexander, secretary.

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The alumni of the Central high school and the normal class gave a dance and banquet at Odd Fellow's on the 27th inst. About two hundred were present and the hall was resplendent with color and brilliant decorations.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bush gave a prize card party at their residence. Those present were: Mesdames Ida Burrus, Hattie Sims, Jennie B. Churchill, Mary Washington, Ophelia Bryant and Messrs. Frank Bryant, William Burrus, Sim Bryant, Witherspoon, Samuels, Washington, Arthur Houser and George Slaughter, the latter winning the prize.

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Mrs. Pearl Jones, of Eminence, Ky., is visiting Miss Almira Morris.

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Miss Lizzie Conner, of Ripley, Ohio, after spending seevral weeks with her friend, Mrs. Lizzie Yarnell, has returned home.

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Mr. Loving, who conducts a house-furnishing business on Ninth street, will leave for Cincinnati in a few days to replenish his stock Mrs. J. B. Marvin addressed the "Lincoln Mercy Club" of Maiden Lane school on the subject of "Kindness" last Friday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Smith have had a visit from the stork who left a bundle containing a six pound gentleman baby.

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The Parent-Teachers' Association of the Pearl Street school held an interesting meeting this week and Prof. S. B. Taylor was highly elated over the success of it.

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Miss Maude Taylor gave a whist party to a number of her friends, who have formed themselves into a little social club.

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Mr. Al Dyer, of Forest, the retail grocer, who was seriously injured by the kick of a mule, is getting along nicely and is back doing business at his old stand.

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Mrs. Jackson, of 408 South Ninth street, is said to give the best meals at popular prices, and also the neatest and politest service.

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Mr. Charles Adair, of 110 South Brook street, left a few days ago to be present at the Mardi Gras carnival in the Crescent Ctiy.

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Mrs. W. O. MaMrtin left this week for Cincinnati, to fill for an indefinite period, an engagement at Gaithers theater. She has been highly commended by Louisville theater-goers.

Mrs. Richard Stockdale entertained in honor of the 1910½ graduating class of the Central high school, on the 16th inst. at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown, 317 Hancock street. Those present were Misses Bessie Spencer, Addie Wilson, Virginia King, Emily Jones, Pearl Patterson, Ophelia Posey, Birdie Short, Tecumseh Walker, Tiny Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Johnson, Messrs. C. B. Clay, Henry Anderson, Chester Duff, Geo. Nurse, Robt. Timberlake, Hendon Natz, L. Alexander, Hubert Taylor and Sherley Pawley. Miss Eva H. Gaddie was the guest of honor.

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Mr. Albert D. Hathaway has moved into his new home, 1629 W. Chestnut street, where he will be pleased to meet his friends.

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Mrs. Tenny Hill Withers, of W. Chestnut street, gave a card party to some friends and visitors Monday evening.

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Miss Scottie Strickland, a teacher in Maiden Lane school, has been transferred to the Portland school. Miss Strickland is considered one of the best teachers in the state.

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Mr. James McElroy, of Forest, was tendered a banquet by the doughty proprietor of the Log Cabin Cafe, Mr. Geo. White.

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Mr. George H. Kellar, of 1521 W. Chestnut street, left last week for a visit to Chicago, and while there will get some to be used in the local playhouses.

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Mrs. Lena Mason is preaching to large crowds and doing fine. Nine were added to the church in one day.

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Mrs. F. Brome is confined to her bed.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, of 530 S. Eighth street, died last Thursday at her home from the infirmities of age. She was the mother of Mrs. Clara Frank.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Washington birthday was observed at the churches and places of amusemen. At Rev. Peck's church the old fashioned colonial tea party was served to large numbers, who seemingly enjoyed themselves, and the concert and colonial party. Rev. Hagood's church was equally enjoyable and patronized well....The ladies day nursery entertainment was fairly well attended, and the program appreciable. McVea's orchestra rendered splendid music....The K. P. affair fell far below expectation in attendance, owing to so man yattractions. Wheaton's orchestra held the boards....The attendance of the mothers meeting Sunday at the Forum taxed the capacity of the hall. Many good speeches were made and the musical numbers were excellent, that of Mrs. Shaffer and also Mrs. Wood and Little showed their efficiency at the piano....Frank Rogers, the ventriloquist and wife of Chicago, is at the Orpheum this week making good. ....The Kansas and Missouri Club was elaborately entertained by Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Woods, who formerly lived in Fulton, Mo., and Denver....The Rose of Los Angeles Circle A. O. F. are rapidly increasing their membership....The Afro-American council got their share of attendance at their entertainment on the evening of Feb. 22. The program was opened by an address of Attorney Stount. Prizes were given to those selling the highest number of tickets....Get The Freeman from L. G. Eggleston, 812 Maple avenue.

PIQUA, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The dance given by U. R. R. of P. Feb. 22nd at New Halls was a sucess was largely attended by guest from Troy O. Mrs. Rev. J. A. Collins have organized a society recently among the children of both churches which is known as the Sonophone Missionary Society, the girls will take up needle work and the boys manual training, the officers are as follows: President Marrell Johnson, Vice Pesident, Percy Lowery, Secretary, Cecil Koker, Assist. Secretary, Margery Collin Treasurer Layton Collins....The young Mens Social Club put in their last rehersal for their Minstrel and will open up in our neighboring town Stillwater Thursday Eve. under the leadership of Colonel Daniel Meyers Geo. F. Moss, Arthor Smith the three names mentioned insure success....Miss Bessie Taylor Guy is here for a few days visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor she will leave shortly for Pittsburg....Mrs. John Anderson and son Carl are visting Mrs. Andersons brother in Chicago....Mrs Alethia Johnson is home from Chicago, where she was called on account of the illness of her daughter Mrs. Geo Wilson. Mr. J. H. Bailey was a delegate from Park Ave. Baptist Church to the Dist. Sunday School Institution which commenced at Dayton O. at Zion Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. Harper Pastor reported a very interesting session...Mrs. Maud Johnson and little Helen will spend Thursday afternoon in Troy O.

DULUTH, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Jonathan Brewer has returned from Wisconsin, where he went to attend district conference....The fever for festivities seems to have struck Duluth during the past week, as lovers of music and dancing enjoyed a feast. The Emergency Club and the Corinthian Club both had entertainments last Monday evening, and on Thursday evening the Interstate Club had a masquerade party. All report an excellent time, and are eagerly waiting for the next one....On Monday, Feb. 20th, Mrs. George Newton entertained in honor of Mrs. R. C. McColleough, who has gone to Minneapolis. Covers were laid for four....Mrs. Fox has been on the sick list, but is now able to be out again....Mr. L. C. Shirley has gone to Eau Claire, Wis., to attend the funeral of his father, recently deceased....Mrs. W. A. Porter has been on the sick list but is convalescing.... The Zenith Co. Operatic Association have rendered their annual report. Affairs are in good shape and they expect to improve their present holdings and secure more realty soon. We wish success to any band of energetic Afro-Americans.

HENDERSON, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Washington's birthday was celebrated Wednesday evening, February 22d. A splendid program was rendered. Misses Eudalia Smith and Virginia Pointer captivated the audience by their sweet singing. Prof. H. F. Jones delivered a very able address on the subject, "Citizenship as a Factor in Happiness." A play entitled "A Scene at the Ticket Office" was also much enjoyed. Miss Bettie Filmore, Miss Mae F. Alexander and Mrs. Ella Young also sang beautiful solos.... Miss Vitula Chambers, of Evansville, Ind., was the guest of Miss J. M. Carr a few days last week....Miss Ollie Mae Chinn visited Miss E. C. Payne last week....Mrs. Randolph, of Canton, Ill., who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Bedford Dixon, returned to her home Tuesday, February 28th....Mr. E. Vincent Hunt, of Chicago, Ill., was the guest of Miss J. M. Carr last Sunday....Read The Freeman. For sale by Mrs. M. I. Woolfolk....Quite a number of out-of-town people came to the city Friday, February 24, to see the "Smart Set".... Mrs. Lucy Posey continues ill at her home....Mrs. C. E. Gowdey, who has been ill about two weeks, is improving slowly....Mr. P. W. Vaughn is yet confined to his bed....Rev. William J. Price delivered two able sermons Sunday, February 26th...."The Scarlet Line in the Windaw" at 11 o'clock a. m. and "The Eagle Stirreth Up Her Nest" at 8 o'clock p. m.

SOUR STOMACH

"I used Cascarets and feel like a new man. I have been a sufferer from dyspepsia and sour stomach for the last two years. I have been taking medicine and other drugs, but could find no relief only for a short time. I will recommend Cascarets to my friends as the only thing for indigestion and sour stomach and to keep the bowels in good condition. They are very nice to eat."

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The Talented Clairvoyant

The gifted clairvoyant, the great female wonder, born wit hthe double (caul) veil. She is one of the old ancient Southern Clairvoyants of New Orleans. She is a living phrenologist and physiogomist. She tells plainly what you are adapted for in life by reading your brain and mind. With a grasp of her hand she gives you a course of influence to enable you to overcome all bad luck. She has made thousands of homes happy. Read the fifth chapter, 9th verse of St. Matthews: "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God." She reunites the separated, makes peace where there is confusion. Your husband or wife or sweetheart will never forsake you, but will love you and marry you sooner if you will only heed this lady's consultation. Read what several ladies of your city say. "Yes, we believe her a Godsend to us. My husband and I separated over a year ago, and just think, since I called on this lady, he returned to me. We are together and happy." This young lady says: The one I loved refused to call or write me. I called on this lady and we are now engaged. You can't afford to miss consulting this gifted lady. She is gifted to read characters. She challenges the world to excel her advice on love, losses, business, family and financial troubles. Reunites the separated, causes speedy marriages with one of your choice. No cards allowed in her place of business. No one's ill wishes filled; strictly a Christian lady and depends entirely on her heavenly gift. If you are painful or ailing, think you have been witchcrafted, go to see her.

She spent thirty years in the jungles of Africa and has traveled through 34 States doing good wherever she went. Read St. John, 9th chapter, 33rd verse, "If this man is not of God, he could do nothing."

"I for one, as one in the midst. My heart ached from the cruel treatment of my husband and the way he would throw away his time and money, until I consulted this wonderful lady. It will soon be a year. Through her he has been a loving husband, and today he presents me with a lovely lot on which he will build a home. Tongue can't praise her too highly."

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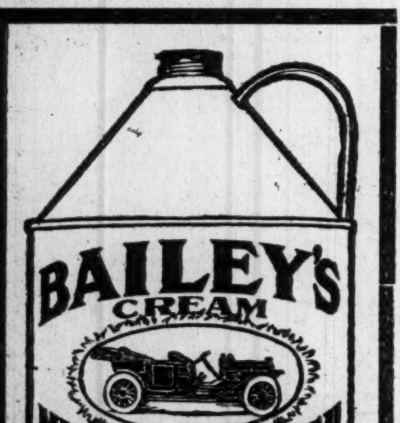
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Don't be frightened at the clamor of the mob. Stand up manfully for what you believe to be right, and the future will justify your course—if you are right.

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Speaking of the fund for T. Thomas Fortune, have you ever reflected how much good could be accomplished for the race's militant defender if 50,000 Negroes just gave $1.00 each?

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And now the ubiquitous George W. Chivis turns up in Honolulu! With his inexhaustible resourcefulness, Brother Chivis may one day be the Hawaiian delegate in Congress. Who knows?

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Industrial schools are multiplying in the South. In the North they are styled "technical institutes." The name doesn't matter, however, provided the hand and head and heart are taught to work as a united trinity.

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The ability to "put up a poor mouth" often "gets one by" for the time being, but this hustling old world has its gladdest hand extended to the fellow who can do something for somebody, rather than the weakling who is eternally trying to get something done for him.

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The stationery of Dr. J. S. Jackson, the energetic and always-on-the-job financial secretary of the A. M. E. Zion Church, bears this significant and highly appropriate text from Malachi iii, 10. "Bring ye all tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house."

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Commissioner Emmett J. Scott answers in the affirmative the question, "Is Liberia Worth Saving?" in an admirable pamphlet on the subject. It is having a wide circulation and is being carefully read and digested by the thoughtful people of the country, white and black.

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As a dramatic critic and all-'round correspondent, Sylvester Russell is doing the work of his life. He deserves the warmest encomiums for the splendid manner in which he handled the report of and eulogy upon the death of George W. Walker. It was sympathetic, dignified and thorough.

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The failure of the True Reformers and the Metropolitan Mercantile Realty Co. makes it harder for newer corporations of the race to gain the confidence of Negroes with money that ought to be invested. Yet this should not cause the race to become "tight across the chest." There are all kinds of people in the world, and some of them are honest.

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The substantial growth of the North Carolina Mutual and Provident Association at Durham, N. C., is convincingly indicated by a pyramid of figures showing that the amount of business done in 1890 was $840, and in 1911 the total has reached the monumental height of $247,238. Messrs. Merrick, Spaulding and More are "some more hustlers."

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Sylvester Russell has made the Chicago managers "come to taw" in good shape. The right sort of newspaper man can not be muzzled, and he will treat everybody right, if they will let him. Mr. Russell's criticisms of actors and managers are sometimes a trifle "raw," but in many instances their acting and doings are "raw," and the raw truth has to be told. Let us all "get in right," and there will be no further trouble.

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A Mississippi jury awarded a white woman $15,000 for damages against the Pullman Company for forcing her to ride in a car in which three bishops of the A. M. E. Church were traveling. A Negro editor, when asked his opinions of juries of the Mississippi brand, declared that to express himself intelligently he would be compelled to use vitriol for ink and write his statement on asbestos paper. This editor is not apt to run a paper in Mississippi, however.

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The papers that insist most strenuously upon having "exclusive" matter from correspondents steal more "specials" than anybody else from the white dailies, and are slowest in paying the colored writers who send them valuable "exclusive" stories from the metropolitan centers. As a matter of fact, there isn't a Negro paper in the country that can afford to properly compensate a correspondent for exclusive service, and the sydicated news bureaus offer the happiest solution of the problem of how to secure the most readable material at a minimum of cost to the publisher. Every journal has a host of subscribers who see no other race publication, and a story that has been printed in a hundred papers is as original to them as if it had never seen the light of day elsewhere. Let us be consistent.

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Karl Pearson, professor of applied mathematics and mechanics at the University College, London, who is also an anthropologist of international note, announces it as his theory that the white race sprang from a dark-skinned ancestry through "albinism." Among other proofs, he brings forward the fact that albinos are comparatively frequently born of colored parents, but never vice versa. The reader can take Prof. Pearson's theory for what it is worth.

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Says the Florida Sentinel: "Commissioner Emmett J. Scott has thrown much light on the complicated Liberian situation, and has succeeded in convincing the world's magnates of money and morals that the little Black Republic is worth saving. Why not a permanent 'American Commission on Liberian Affairs,' with Mr. Scott as chairman? No man in our times has gained such a firm grasp of the intricacies of this unique problem." Such a commission should be established, by all means. We are for it.

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The announcement of Miss Nannie H. Burroughs' National Training School at Lincoln Heights, D. C., gives a "wind-mill" as one of the primal needs of the institution. Now, if some genius like Arthur C. Newman would only invent some process by which the "hot air" generated at the various literaries, banquets, political powwows and "indignation" meetings (with which Washington is superabundantly blessed) could be conserved at a common center, Miss Burroughs' problem in this direction would be solved instanter.

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If New Orleans would rather maintain its narrow race prejudices than to have an exposition, the rest of the world has nothing to say. San Francisco won out as much because she offered an open door on equal terms to all the peoples of the Universe as because of her enterprise and cash. It is to the everlasting credit of such stalwarts as Col. James Lewis, Editor Robert E. Jones, Lawyer J. Madison Vance and Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback that, loyal as they might be to their beloved home community, that they refused to compromise their principles of right-doing by recommending New Orleans unless a removal of the "Jim Crow" restrictions during the fair was guaranteed. In clinging to her antebellu mnotions on the Negro question, the Delta metropolis stood in her own light, and met a deserved defeat in her Panama aspirations.

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The best evidence of what man really is is furnished by the clear-headed and just-minded people with whom he mingles day by day in his home community. Reckoned by this standard, William Clarence Hueston, a rising young barrister of Kansas City, Mo., is "all right." Following the close of a mighty municipal contest, in which Mr. Hueston did some especially effective work, making his fight upon high grounds—no pay, no promise, no reward. The Kansas City Star, the official spokesman of the best people of the city by the Kaw, said:

"It happens that 'Billy' Hueston has a black skin. It happens that the men whose votes he appealed for on behalf of the city are of the same color. But that fact in no wise detracts from the fine quality of citizenship of Hueston and such as he. There are plenty of Negroes in Kansas City who are making a brave fight for civic decency among their own people. Good citizens."

In addition to this Mr. Hueston recently won the heart and hand of one of Washington's and the world's finest girls, setting another fine example of courageous, high-class citizenship. Rah for Hueston!

DECATUR (ILL.) NOTES.

Mrs. A. D. Cecil, wife of A. D. Cecil, painter and paper hanger, was badly burned last Friday. Mr. Cecil and daughter Frances, were burned rather badly while trying to save Mrs. Cecil. She was pouring oil from the can into a stove, the blaze immediately sprang up from coals supposed to be from the day before. An explosion followed and Mrs. Cecil was wrapped in flames. She was taken to St. Mary's hospital, where she is getting along nicely and they have hopes for her recovery....The three-act drama, entitled, "The Defender of His Rights," composed by Mr. Fred Long, a high school student, was the principal social event of the past week. It took place before an audience that crowded Traver's Hall to its uttermost capacity. The drama was applauded again and again, and Mr. Long deserves much credit for his ability to write such a play. It will probably be taken to Taylorville, Ill., soon....Mrs. Jane King and Miss Gususie Caldwell are among the sick this week....At least two hundred people enjoyed the Masquerade Banquet, Feb. 14, given by the Golden Rule Court No. 33. Without doubt this was the grandest affair ever given in Decatur colored society. Music was furnished throughout the evening by Conkin's orchestra and everyone has a good time....Mr. William Nickens, enroute to Selma, Ohio, is spending a few days with his sons, George and Alva.... Miss Luucile Nickens is also on the sick list.

TOLEDO (O.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Oreas Carter, better known as Zip, the oldest cook in Toledo, died on Feb. 9th, and his remains are lying in state at the undertaking parlors of H. J. Murphy & Sons, at 1217 Cherry street. He has a brother residing in Connellsville, Pa., R. R. No. 1. Was born at Harrisburg, Pa.....The funeral of Clarence Fielding, one of the oldest restaurant keepers in Toledo, of Omteces street. The funeral was held from the Friendship Mission. Rev. J. C. Taylor officiated. He leaves a widow and children to mourn his loss.... Misses Sarah Martin, of 62 East Broadway, was called to Syracuse, New York, on account of the death of her father.... Mrs. Emma Robson, of Enright street, is seriously ill. She is secretary of the Free Givers' Club.

PORTSMOUTH, VA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The funeral of Mrs. Benj. Jordan, who departed this life early Sunday morning, Feb. 19th, was held in Zion Baptist church Monday evening at 3 p. m. Rev. J. A. Armstead conducted the services....At the annual meeting of the Y. M. B. Association last Tuesday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year, as follows: President and general manager, R. J. Kyles; vice president, Thos W. Newlie; secretary, W. E. Riddick; auditor, W. H. Jennings; treasurer, J. S. Collins; foreman, E. H. Jackson....Last Sunday morning at the Old Emanuel A. M. E. church, Rev. M. E. Davis, D. D., preached a forcible sermon from the subject "Return of the Prodigal Son." The pastor orf Ebenezer Baptist church gave his congregation an excellent sermon Sunday morning....The Corey Concert Company expects to give a series of entertainments during the months of March and April....Dr. Alexander, of Atlanta, Ga., preached to a large congregation Sunday night at the Old Emanual A. M. E. church....Dr. Jones, D. D., the new pastor of Mt. Hermon Baptist church, preached at the special services held in Zion Baptist church Sunday at 3 p. m. Dr. Jones is an excellent speaker....We are glad to note that the conditions of Mrs. C. Mathews, of Columbia street, and Mr. Geo. Douglass, of County street, is somewhat improved....Mrs. M. E. W. Richard, of 2505 South East Effingham street entertained a few of her friends Sunday, Feb. 19, 1911. This being her thirtieth birthday. Those present were: Miss Rachel Wilkins, Mrs. Geo. Spentz, Mrs. M. W. Brinkley, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. M. E. Todd, Miss F. Elliott, Mr. B. F. Peterson and Mr. W. W. Brinkley, Mr. C Wheeler....Persons desiring The Freeman can secure copies from 802 South street, or 813 County street.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Abram Ricks, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of Centralia, died on the 10th, at the age of one hundred years or more. Rev. Manly, of the Methodist Church, preached the funeral. There was a large cortege, black and white; all paid their respects to him, who went by the name of Uncle Ab....There is a society here called the Do-Right Club. They gave a dance at Masonic Hall on the 11th. Those who were there say they had a good time....Mrs. T. Callaway has just come home from Louisville, Ky., where she has been visiting her brother....Mr. Cate Willson, bartender for D. White, has been on the sick list for the last two or three weeks, but is now up so he can take his job again....Mr. Henry Thomas, a cook and barber by trade, is assistant at Mr. F. Campbell's leading barber shop. ....Mrs. Scott is building a new residence, which will cost several thousand dollars....Mr. C. Mosley, the restaurant man, is doing a good business. Don't forget to go there and get The Freeman.... Miss Maude Macklin is attending high school, taking shorthand and typewriting. ....Mr. Tony Hinds is leading salesman at Al Harding's fruit store (white). He has been there for the last ten years.... Mr. Bunch is the leading plasterer.... Mr. Henry Cash is head boiler man at the Illinois Central Railroad Hotel....Mr. C. Rick, a leading barber, invites all classes of people to visit his shop, if they want to get value for their money....Mr. L. Callaway is the leading carpet cleaner.

CANNONSBURG, PA.

Funeral Services in Basement—Marriage Anniversary Celebration.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

An aged colored woman of this town died at the hospital and was taken to the home of her daughter, from which she was to have been buried. She belonged to the Presbyterian church (white). Some of the emmbers of the church went to the daughter and asked that the funeral be from the church, which was granted. But on the day of the funeral, instead of taking the body into the chapel, as was their custom, it was taken into the basement of their church, where the service was conducted. In her will, which was read and published a fey evenings ago, she left all money to the white church and her real estate to be disposed of and the money divided among the different branches of the church. What benefit was that woman to her race? I say, none. I guess you will all agree with ms. Amelia Betts. P. S.—All she left her daughter was a Bible....On Monday evening a number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Dunlop in Elm street with a surprize in honor of the Fifteenth anniversary of their marriage. Games and music were the feature of the evening, after which a dainty lunch was served. At a late hour the guests departed to their homes wishing Mr. and Mrs. Dunlop many more happy years of wedlock....Mrs. Hattie Blair and Mrs. Ben Harper visited at the home of the sister, Mrs. Harry Thompson, of Carnegie, Pa....Mr. Riuhard Kennedy, better known as (Uncle Dick), one of the oldest residents of Canosburg, is ill at his home in Murdock street....Mrs. Rachael Warfield is ill at her home in Greenside avenue....Rev. C. A. McGee has returned to his home after a ten days' stay at Butler, Pa., where he was helping to conduct a revival meeting....Mamie Leona, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Betts, is on the sicg list.

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND., NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Mary Thomas has gone to Terre Haute to visit her daughter, Arizona, who is attending the State Normal and is sick from vaccination....Miss Marian Nelson, who has been teaching at Siberia, Ky., has returned home and reports a successful year's work....Miss Sadie Whilitt, of Rockville, Ind., is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. Fanny Oglesby....Mr. Chris Dry, who holds a responsible position with the wholesale produce firm of J. Geniger & Co., has opened tonsorial parlors next door to his home on Watt street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets....Mr. James Hardesty and Miss Edna Foster were married last week....At the January meeting of the directors of the Enterprise Mercantile Company the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. S. Owens, president; J. Arbuckle, vice president; B. C. Lasley, secretary; James A. Lasley, treasurer. The company has enjoyed a prosperous year, and the outlook is encouraging for an enlarged trade. ....On Friday afternoon, February 3, a delightful reception was given at the home of Prof. J. O. Oglesby, on Illinois avenue, in honor of Miss Sadie Whilitt, of Rockville, who is visiting in the city. The guests enjoyed themselves immensely in parlor games; brilliant repartee and whole-souled mirth characterized the occasion. Before departing for their homes the guests were served abundantly with the season's delicacies. Those present were: Mesdames Callie Jones, Alma Dill, Fanny White, Misses Edith Smith, Willie Deadman, Geo. White of Louisville, Prof. Hill and Miss Alma Bush of New Albany, Mesdames Laura Marshall, Hannah Jones, Arena B. Taylor, Alice Johnson, Misses Anna Martin, Susie Twyman, Jessie D. Lee, Carrie Johnson, and Messrs. Chas. Marshall and R. F. Taylor, from the city. ....Rev. J. L. Franklin has been confined to his room with an attack of lumbago, but he is much better....Principal R. F. Taylor and wife celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of their marriage on Friday evening, February 10, at their home on Ohio avenue. Quite a number of their friends received invitations, and it was a happy throng that gathered to join in the celebration and to express their congratulations and best wishes. The rooms were appropriately decorated with natural flowers, and sweet strains of music were dispensed by Mrs. Lucien White, of Louisville. A feature of the music was the fact that most of the many numbers were composed by Negro musicians. Prof. J. O. Oglesby and wife assisted in receiving. After spending a delightful evening, the guests were served with a two-course luncheon by the affable caterer, Rev. J. W. Compton. The fifteenth anniversary being the crystal wedding, the numerous handsome and valuable presents consisted chiefly of cut glass. From several out-of-town friends were received congratulatory letters as well as presents. Those present were: Mesdames Blanche Edmonds, Callie Jones, Fanny White, Alma Dill of Louisville, Eliza Yantis, Nancy Whalon, Musetta Smith Harper, Mary Richardson of New Albany, Eliza Williams, Florence Potter, Laura Marshall, Hannah Jones, Alice Whittaker, Nora Butler, Belle Owens, Bettie Coleman, Ida Smith, L. R. Kelly, Amy Lee, Mary Lee of the city, Misses Mayme Richardson, Mary J. Carpenter, Estella Starks of New Albany, Sadie Whititt of Rockville, Ind., Mollie Bowman, Sarah E. Bibb, Lucy Bibb, Jessie D. Lee, Susie M. Twyman, Anna L. Martin, Lelia Johnson, Lottie Twyman, Virginia Twyman, Profs. J. Edward Harper of New Albany, Geo. Wilson of Mt. Vernon, Messrs. J. W. Johnson, Wm. S. Owens, George Vanmeter, Rev. Wm. Kelly, Harvey Twyman, Washington Bibb. The occasion was a memorable one, and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are much elated over the generous manifestations of friendship and good wishes.

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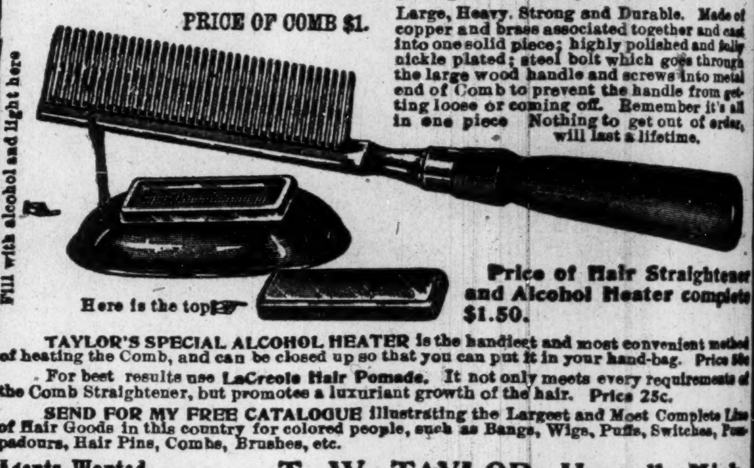
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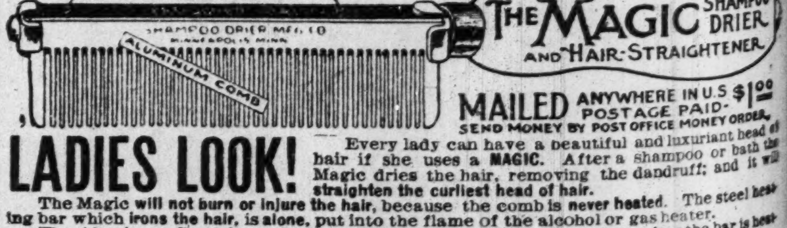
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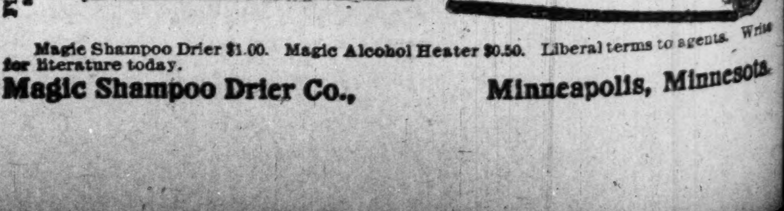

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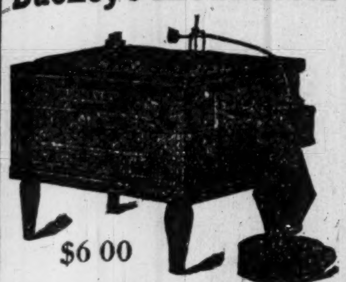

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EDUCATIONAL ETCHINGS

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Allen University at Columbia, S. C., is out of debt. The $18,000 paid out this month closed out all the mortgages held against the institution.

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It is a curious coincidence that Prof. J. E. Aggrey, who fills the chair of English at Livingston College, Salisbury, N. C., is a native African.

North Carolina is said to have more colored schools to the square inch than any other State in the Union. Alabama is running the Old North State a close second.

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"The School Teacher" has been launched at Tuskogee Institute, Ala., by Prof. J. R. E. Lee as the national organ of the National Negro Teachers' Association.

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It is a poor school that has not a newspaper organ of some kind. The taste for reading real news is an essential part of modern education. Get the habit early!

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There is a strong feeling that Bishop George W. Clinton, of the A. M. E. Zion Church, would make an admirable successor to the late Bishop Grant as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jeanes Educational Fund.

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Howard University's "vesper services" every Sunday at 4 p. m., at Washington, are liberally attended. The music by the vested choir of the University, under the direction of Miss Lulu Vere Childers, is especially fine.

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Mr. E. Davidson Washington, the younger son of Dr. Booker T. Washington, recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Tuskegee Institute Hospital. The operation was successful and the young man is well on the road to recovery.

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Former Governor R. B. Glenn and Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, of North Carolina, have been delivering a series of addresses through the North in behalf of the National Religious Training School, at Durham, N. C., of which Dr. J. E. Shepard is president and founder.

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Dr. J. H. Dillard, president of the board of trustees of the Jeanes Fund, is of the opinion that foundation schools to train young colored men in farming and useful trades would remove a great many of them from the haunts which they occupy in the cities of the South.

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Prof. L. B. More, dean of Teachers' College, Howard University, urges the advantages of adopting the career of an educator, and calls attention to the fact that the demand for competent teachers all over the country is far in excess of the supply. Good positions have been found for practically all of the graduates of this department of Howard University.

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The Zion Church has established a college in West Africa, and it now has Mrs. Addie R. Clarke, principal of the fourteen pupils. Rev. S. R. B. Attoh Ahuma is the principal. A competent colored man from America is wanted to take charge of the industrial department. The school was founded as the outcome of the visit and hearty advocacy of Bishop Alexander Walters.

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Mrs. Florence Patterson Clark, who has been giving such complete satisfaction in handling the night classes in domestic art at the Armstrong Technical High School, Washington, D. C., has been placed on the temporary roll as day teacher in domestic science. The promotion is a deserved one, as Mrs. Clark has done much to assist the principal, Dr. W. Bruce Evans, to give the Armstrong School the national reputation that it enjoys for thoroughness in all that it undertakes.

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The Summer School and Chautauqua, in connection with the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., of which Dr. J. E. Shepard is president, opens its second season on July 5, and will hold until August 13. Some of the finest lecturers in the country have already accepted assignments on the faculty, and Dr. Shepard expects the largest and most representative attendance that any similar school of the race in the land has had up to this time.

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Self-help is the most effective help. Miss Nannie H. Burroughs, principal of the National Training School, at Lincoln Heights, D. C., reports that in the past three years she and her immediate aids have paid $6,000 on the school property, paid $5,000 for building, repairs and furnishing, and paid all the salaries of five teachers and all of the running expenses without calling upon white friends to help. Miss Burroughs believes thoroughly in the doctrine that "the Lord helps those who help themselves."

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Bishop John C. Kilgo, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has accepted an invitation to preach the commencement sermon at Tuskegee Institute, Sunday, May 21. Hon. Robert H. Terrell, judge of the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia, is to deliver the commencement address to the graduating class, Thursday, May 25. The officials at Tuskegee count themselves fortunate in being able to secure such unusually strong and influential men to preach the annual sermon and deliver the annual commencement address.

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Miss Mary Fitzhugh, the talented blind singer, was presented by Mme. E. Azalia Hackley in a song recital at Tuskegee Institute a few evenings ago, and both artists scored distinct triumphs. The great courage of Miss Fitzhugh in accomplishing herself so signally, despite the grave obstacles in her path, was extolled by Mr. J. Ellis Barker, the eminent English writer and economist; Mr. Warren Logan and Dr. Washington. Miss Fitzhugh and Mme. Hackley have gone to New Orleans for a series of concerts.

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Definite steps are being taken to establish a Negro Reform School for the State of North Carolina. A site, known as the J. B. Alexander farm, in Mecklenburg County, near Charlotte, has been purchased, and the institution will be put on foot in the near future. The movement had its birth in the broad, Christian action of Miss Nannie Foulk, a colored domestic, serving in the family of Chief Counsel Fuller, of the American Tobacco Company, who made a donation of $1,000 to the cause. Dr. G. C. Clement, editor of the Star of Zion, is president of the Board of Managers.

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Mrs. L. R. Clarke has re-established her domestic science training school on R street, near 12th, Washington, D. C., and is making healthful progress. A valuable auxiliary to the Clarke Training School is the Domestic Council, an affiliated body of the Housekeepers' Alliance; and through these agencies housekeepers and persons wishing employment in domestic arts are kept closely in touch. As a result there has been a constant betterment of household service, as only skilled and industrious young women are recommended by this bureau. At a recent meeting of the Domestic Council, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Helen A. Davis, president; Rev. Caleb Queen, secretary; Miss Estella Morris, treasurer; school. Visitors are always welcome at the class rooms of the institution, and many take advantage of the "open door."

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Information reaches us from the Newbern (N. C.) Collegiate Industrial Institute that W. W. Hayes is getting along finely with the 1,000 acre farm, and that a goodly crop is assured. Many of the citizens have been very kind in helping to furnish Mr. Hayes with supplies. He will soon begin to help supply the local market with milk and butter. Mr. Thomas Moreland, a competent man, has given up a position at Atlanta, Ga., to assume charge of the brick yard which he will install at Newbern. Rev. A. L. E. Weeks, the indefatigable principal of the Institute, attended the Negro Farmers' Convention at Tuskegee in January, and says he gained more inspiration than he had acquired at any other meeting he had ever attended. A bill has been introduced in the Legislature of North Carolina asking for a substantial appropriation for the benefit of the Newbern Collegiate Institute, and there is an excellent prospect for its passage.

ITEMS OF RACE INTEREST.

Report has it that the late Bishop Grant brought $6,000 when sold as a slave.

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Bert Williams, the famous comedian, gave $100 toward a movement to have colored policemen and firemen in New York.

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A colored girl and a Japanese were married in Springfield, Ill., not long since. The young lady, formerly Miss Leota Singleton, was a leader in Springfield society.

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F. H. Crumbly, of Allensworth Colony, California, is anxious to arouse interest in behalf of exhibitions by Negroes at the proposed Panama Exposition in that State in 1915. He invites corespondence.

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Miss Heart Morris, a white woman, recently sued the Alabama and Vicksburg Railroad Company for $25,000 for permitting three Negro bishops to ride in the same sleeping car with her. She was awarded $15,000. The case has been appealed to the Mississippi Supreme Court.

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That railroads must furnish equal accommodations for black and whites in the South is the latest speech from the Interstate Commerce Commission. The commission has said so several times, but its suggestions have been persistently disregarded. It now appears that that body means business. it is insisting that the laws be obeyed on pain of a heavy penalty.

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Following the example of Baltimore, the council of Kansa City, Mo., not long since attempted to pass a segregation measure, having in mind the districting of the Negroes. The ordinance was referred to the Public Improvement Committee with the recommendation that it not pass. The ordinance failed.

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Representative J. Ed Green, the only Negro member of the Illinois legislature, succeeded in holding up the resolution asking the delegation to Congree to support the resolution calling for a constitutional amendment to provide for the election of senators by direct vote of the people. The resolution went through the state senate without a dissenting vote, but when it was sent over to the house Green moved it be committed to the judiciary committee, and there he made a fight which held it up for a week at least, and probably for good. Representative Green is one of the leading citizens of Chicago, and is a member of the Frongs, one of the prominent colored clubs of the country, located in New York City.

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"I may add one word; it is this: Popular enthusiasm among our Negro people in America ove rthe redemption of Africa is good. But what we need and must have, is the development of first-class qualities in men as to scholarship, consecration, willingness to take their place besides those of us who have been in Africa for years, and accept whatever comes. I have been hoping that we might develop some one or two black classes in our various schools. This form of preparation is now being given in Gammon Theological Seminary under the direction of the Faculty. It is possible to greatly enlarge this and make it far more effective by similar lectures and study classes in our colleges and academies."—In the Foundation, Atlanta, Ga.

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Principal Joseph L. Wiley, of Fessenden Academy, among other things, has the following to say of his observations recently made at Tuskegee: "The farm has in it nearly 3,000 acres and is stocked with stallions, jacks, 100 mules, 50 mares, 30 colts, 2,000 head ofswine, several hundred goats, 3,000 chickens, scores of geese and ducks, several hundred head of milch cows, and beef cattle, good barns, the best farming implements, the latest dairy appointments, hundreds of fruit trees, model truck gardens and a force of agricultural experts who instruct the hundreds of students, that are given not only theory, but the practice which this great equipment permits. Recently the agricultural department has had given to it a commodious building, 60x120, three stories, in which are many large lecture rooms, chemical laboratories, cheese and butter making divisions and an assembly hall. This is near the farm somewhat away from the other buildings. It is called 'Millbank Agricultural Hall.'"

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Rev. Dr. Scipio Newton, of Argentine Republic, S. A., who is engaged in giving a series of lectures in this country, has the following to say of his race-men at his home: "Colored men in my country occupy a prominent place in the doings of the country. The president of the country, Alcarta, has a strain of Negro blood in his veins, and one of his relatives, Pedro Alcarta, is chief. The foremost and most influential judge of one of the circuit courts, member of the Argentine senate is a colored man, Gonzales Villegas. He was at one time a member of the cabinet and is regarded as one of the best orators of that country.

"Some of the largest department stores in Beunos Ayres are run by colored men and colored men teach in all of the colleges. In this country, though you have so many times put up clas restrictions, I find that the race is making suprising progress." When told that there were no daily papers run by the colored people of this country the foreigner expressed surprise, and said that Negroes filled every position in journalism in Argentine.

Dr. Newton, the most prominent South American, was educated in Europe. He was graduated from the University of Cambridge in 1895, and he speaks English, French and Spanish fluently. He has been in the United States for the past nine months.

ADDYSTON, O.

Rev. S. D. Sanders was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Lucas over Sunday ....All news items in Hopkinsville left at the Hopkinsville hotel will receive prompt attention....Miss Margaret Buchanan is convalescent.

NAVASOTA, TEXAS.

Mr. Henry Guice, one of our best citizens, died February 19th. He leaves a large family and many friends to mourn his loss....Mr. Leon Constant is visiting his brother, Mr. Frank Constant, Jr., at Prairie View Normal and Industrial college......Miss Samantha Scales returned from Prairie View College recently on account of illness.... Mr. Sanders Thompson is teaching at Jackson Chapel temporarily......Mr. Sam Williams, whose wife is very sick, has moved back to our city from Fort North........The holiday incident to Washington's birthday was celebrated by our people....Read The Freeman, the greatest Afro-American paper published. It is sold at Neal's store.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

A Delightful Informal—Society News.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Geo. T. Sims, of 2622 12th avenue South, gave an informal reception at her home on last Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 14th, from 2 to 5 in honor of Mrs. J. Fite of Seattle, Wash. About fifty ladies beautifully gowned called during the afternoon. The color scheme of red and green was effectively carried out. The living room was beautifully decorated with hearts and ferns, while the dining room was adorned with tulips and hearts, and a huge bow of red ribbon hung artistically from the chandelier. It being St. Valentine's day, heart-shaped souvenirs were given to the guests. Miss Mildred Shull presided at the piano, while little Miss Beatrice Pierre attended the punch bowl. The hostess was kindly assisted in so beautifully carrying out this brilliant affair by Mesdames Ford, Glen, Henry, Temple, Williams and Miss Birtie Wyatt....The revival meetings that were conducted by Rev. M. W. Withers of Zion Baptist church, assisted by Rev. W. D. Carter, formerly of Pilgrim Baptist church, St. Paul, ended with good results Wednesday, Feb. 22....Mrs. W. L. Stafford, of Atlantic City, N. J., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Jasper Gibbs, for the past five months, returned to her home last Wednesday evening. This is Mrs. Stafford's third visit to Minneapolis, and she is much pleased with the receptions she met with while here....The sixth anniversary of Afro-American Women's Clubs was held at St. Peters church on Feb. 8, 1911....The Douglass celebration at Bethesda Baptist church was a grand success. The men of the church served the supper....The masked valentine social at Bethesda Baptist church was enjoyed by the young and old. It was given by the ladies of the Puupit Aid Society, and they deserve much credit....A new club was organized at the home of Mrs. John Sellers, and named in honor of Mrs. Ione E. Gibbs, president of the Afro-American Federated clubs. Its officers are: Mrs. John Sellers, president; Mrs. Helen Jackson, secretary; Mrs. Lillian Lewis, assistant secretary; Mrs. Nellie Dunjee, treasurer....Brown and Parkers pool room and barbershop was partially destroyed by fire on last Tuesday. They are still able to attend to their customers as usual....Fidelity Court No. 345, O. O. C., will present by the Withers Dramatic Co., a comedy drama, "Saved, or a Wife's Peril," at Dania Hall, 5th street and Cedar avenue, Minneapolis, Tuesday evening, Feb. 28th, 8 p. m....Those wishing to secure this paper may do so at Brown & Parker's barber shop and from Agent H. K. Gibbs, 2844 12th avenue So., Tel. So. 3830.

MINEOLA, TEX.

We have had plenty of rain in the South and only a little cold weather.... Miss Gertrude Andrews died last week. She was a sister of Mrs. Rachael Session and Lelar Arnold....Hester's big show was here on February 8....Mr. Lewis Ray is a new reader of the paper. He is on Route No. 5....Mr. Tobe Lewis has been working for the G. N. R. R. Co. for a number of years. He is always on time and knows his business.

MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Death of Prominent Citizen—Social Happenings.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. James W. Hackley, who has been ill since last November, died February 16, at 10 p. m. He was one of the oldest and most esteemed citizens, the local minister of Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church, of which he was a member for over 40 years. He was born in Rockingham county, Va., April 17, 1838. He leaves to mourn his lost a wife, Mrs. Maggie Hackley, two sons, Rev. Andrew Hackley, of Amherstburg, Can., Mr. Thomas Hackley, and one daughter, Miss Mary Hackley, of this city, and a sister, Miss Sarah Cook, of Cleevland, Ohio, seven grandchildren, a host of relatives and friends. The funeral services were held from the Wayman Chapel A. M. E., Sunday, Feb. 19th, at 2:30 p. m., Rev. James M. Tate officiating. Interment at Mound View cemetery.... The Twentieth Century Club was entertained by Mrs. Mamie Harris, Feb. 20th, at the residence of Mrs. Frank Steven, East Gambier street. The afternoon was spent in embroidery work, after which the hostess served a delightful luncheon.... Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Steward, of Mansfield, O., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson, of N. Harrison street....Miss Theme Robinson, of Mansfield, O., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Latherus, of E. Chestnut street....The Elite Club met Feb. 21, at the residence of Miss Stella Bradfield, N. McKenzie street....Mrs. John Smith, of Mansfield, O., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Latherus of E. Chestnut street....Mrs. Cornelia Mack, of S. Main street, is confined to her bed with a serious case of grippe....Mrs. Fred White, of Chestnut street, has tonsilitis.. ..Mrs. Benj. McGee was called to Fort Wayne, Feb. 16th, owin to death of her brother, Mr. Cisco Coble....The Household of Ruth No. 568, held a Valentine concert Feb. 14th, at Odd Fellows Hall, and the following program was rendered: Solo, Master Earl Sites, "Casey Jones;" recitation, Mrs. Nannie Harris, "Marriage is a Very Serious Thing;" solo, Miss Bessie McGrader; dialogue, Mrs. John Richardson, Mrs. John Croston, Mrs. Dana Jones and Mrs. Geo. Sites; recitation, Mrs. Carrie Ewing, "Rastus' Lesson;" solo, Mrs. M. M. Toomey; recitation, little Mary Harris; Mr. W. M. Parker, solo....Mr. Sam Payne spent Sunday in Barnesville, the guest of Miss Vera Wootteen....Mr. Charles Matthews, formerly of Wheeling, W. Va., had a very narrow escape from death by electrocution, Feb. 18th, 12:30 p. m., while at work. At this writing is not entirely out of danger....Messrs. Frank and Jesse Turner and Mr. Raymond Scott attended a dance given in Lancaster, O., Feb. 15th....Rev. James A. Rawls, of Dayton, O., is visiting his brother, Mr. John Rawls, of East Chestnut street.... Miss Beulah Jones is confiende to her bed with serious illness....The dance given Feb. 17th by the Elite Club, composed of young ladies, was a crowning success. Scribner's orchestra furnished the music and they danced to the sweet strains until 2 a. m. The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stewart, Miss Theme Robinson, of Mansfield; Mrs. Daisy Boone and daughter, Miss Mary Boone; Mr. Wc Morrison, of New Castle, Ind.; Mrs. Bessie Rawls, of Columbus, O., and Mrs. Grant Busby, of Zanesville, O....Miss Stella Bradfield attended a dance given at Lancaster, O., Feb. 15....Rev. Joshua Jones, D. D., presiding elder of this distrist, preached at Wayman Chapel A. M. E., Sunday, Feb. 19th, at 7 p. m., followed by communion services....Calvary Baptist, Rev. M. M. Toomey, pastor, preached at 10:30 a. m. and at 7 p. m., Sunday, Feb. 19th, subject, "Mission of the Church." Sewing Circle met Feb. 24th at residence of Mrs. M. Tunnis. Decon meeting was held at residence of Decon Stevens, Feb. 22nd.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We are still among the living and this week is our banner week. S. R. O. at 8:15 p. m. to 9:15 p. m.; from that on had to close box office for the balance of the night. How is that for Chattanooga. The weather has been a little bad, but it don't keep the crowds away, for we are giving them the goods with such performers and stars as Henderson & Henderson, those two kids, with some voices, and the coon song wonder, "Carrie Hall," and Williams & Shakelford Trio, they are here, that's all. And the last, but not least, Floyd & Floyd, those Virginia favorites, and our worthy manager, L. T. Swords, is perfectly satisfied with his shows and stock and says his new house is getting in readiness as soon as possible. Foundation is about completed. Look out for the leading colored playhouse of the South. Don't forget our good four-piece orchestra, with such musicians as Prof. W. A. Calhoun, piano; Wm. Jefferson, violin; I. F. White, cornet, and Dianah Scott, drums.

DULUTH, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Jos. Coombs returned last week from St. Paul, where she has been visiting her parents. She reports a very pleasant time....Mr. Leon Gibbs passed through Duluth enroute from Winnipeg to Chicago....At St. Marks A. M. E. church Lincoln birthday evercises were held Sunday evening, the 12th. The principal speaker of the evening was the Hon. John Norton, county attorney, who delivered a stirring address on the life of Lincoln.. ..Mrs. W. C. Fox entertained last Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. R. C. McCollough and Miss Elizabeth Johnson, who are soon to leave our city. Mrs. McCollough will join her husband in Indianapolis, and Miss Johnson to visit in Toledo, Ohio....The Appomattox Club, a social club of the younger set, gave a party at Kalamazoo Hall Tuesday evening, the 14th. About Fifty couples were present. The evening was spent in cards and dancing, and every one declared it the event of the season....Mr. Harold Stokes has returned after a few days' visit in St. Paul....The Interstate Club met last Thursday, Feb. 16, at the home of Mrs. Stephen Coles. Program: "Nuggets of Wisdom, Paper Orthoepy," Mrs. S. Coles; Remarks, Mrs. J. O. Mobley; vocal solo, Mrs. Lovera Porter; current events, general discussian, leader, Mrs. Cordelia Johnson....The Ladies Book Club met Thursday, Feb. 16, at the home of Mrs. H. E. Johnson, presenting a literary and musical program, and general discussion of current events....Mrs. Erwin, wife of Attorney J. Louis Ervin, has returned from St. Paul, where she was called to the bedside of a sick sister. She left her convalescing....Mrs. Brewer, wife of Rev. Jonathan Brewer, of the St. Marks A. M. E. church, is able to be out again, after recently undergoing an operation for appendicitis....Mrs. Robert Gaines, of Cleveland, Ohio, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. E. Johnson. She left for her home Friday, the 17th, accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Johnson, her niece, who expects to remain in Cleveland throughout the summer.

NEWS FROM LIMA, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Dr. Gilmere, presiding elder of western district, will hold quarterly conference at A. M. E. church, Sunday, Mar. 19....Prof. C. H. Johnson, of Wilberforce, Chairman of Layman's Missionary Movement, is arranging to visit Lima soon to hold missionary mass meeting....The Allen Busy Brotherhood of St. Paul A. M. E. church, are preparing for their annual sermon to be preached Sunday afternoon, March 12....H. L. Dickardson, of Ohio State University, lectured before a crowded house Sunday evening. His subject was, "Education vs. Christianity."....The Society of Cheerful Workers celebrated their anniversity Wednesday evening, Feb. 15, at the home of Mrs. E. M. Curtiss. St. Valentine effect was the characteristic of the decoration, and the place cards were in the form of dainty little red hearts. Mrs. Isabelle Curtiss and Miss Bertha Homager were the hostesses.... Among the visitors of the past week who attended the St. Valentine ball were: C. C. Wright, Van Wert; Miss Carrus Nelson, Van Wert; Mr. James Reilley, Urbana; Mrs. Henry and Miss Florence Simms, of Kenton, and Miss Osar Nukes, of Van Wert....Mrs. Pepisco, of Mechanicsburg, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Lowery, of South Nye street....The order of Knights and Ladies of Honor will give a masquerade social at the K. of P. Hall Friday, Feb. 24....Mrs. Sherman Tucker and Mr. Louis Nelson are on the sick list....Mr. Charles Moss is convalescing....Mr. Ike Boone is remodeling and intends to install a first-class cafe and billiard hall....Mr. Budley, a first-class dancing master, will hold a dancing class every Thursday evening at Cumberland Hall, 223 South Central....Lawyer Pettiford was in the city last week looking over the territory with the intention of locating here....Misses Ola Thomas and Una Rowe returned to their home in Dayton, Sunday.

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Et tu Canada?

If we get the $25,000 we will be most agreeably surprised.

War will be a joke in the future if it means sight seeing by picnics and parties as noted in Mexico.

If the people are willing to take a part in making their constitution why should the opportunity be denied them?

Now 'tis Spring. We've emerged from the world's dark night and greet Aurora, rosy-fingered with that rapture known only to lovers on nuptial day.

The democrats in the legislature are finding time enough to turn up unlooked for propositions, allowing most of those on which they were elected to quietly sleep.

That $25,000 appropriated by the Indiana legislature for a colored industrial school looks good even if there is a faint reminder of ribbons. Ribbons is a polite term for strings.

The constitution should look just as non-partisan as possible. It looks bad to hide what every one has a right to see. What's the hiding for? Tain't hiding-it's hindering. All the same.

The poor dumb foreigner is getting a hearing at last. Well it's quite time, they were about to put him out of the constitution, baggage, boots and all. If he has property and pays taxes, he is a preferred citizen, everything else being equal.

The selection of W. H. Lewis for assistant attorney general in the department of justice is considered the highest office that has ever been tendered a Negro. The honor is well bestowed and doubtless meets the approval of Negroes everywhere when it comes to the fitness of the individual.

The makers of the new constitution have no right to impose impossible conditions for the election franchise. The poll tax proposition is not difficult. To read a section of the constitution is difficult to many. No one has patent on citizenship; it belongs to all until forfeited by violation of rules that could have been observed.

J. C. Napier's friends in Nashville have rallied to his defense. Why his name has not been sent to the Senate for confirmation is not known, but in the meanwhile opponents have become busy. They are saying some unpleasant things about him, not defamatory, but they do not help him. We have thought of Mr. Napier as a quiet, gentlemanly, refined individual, sincere and honest, and worthy of the honor bestowed on him by the president.

Report has it that the government of the Dominion of Canada turned back a party of Negroes on its way from the United States to that country. The Negroes were regarded as undesirable citizens. It may be that Canada is putting up bars against the United States Negroes. We rather think that the party in question did not meet the approval of the authorities just as happens in our own country. We think Negroes may go to the country incidentally just as some come to America, and who decide to stay when they do come. Wholesale immigration of the darker races, either to America or Canada is not looked on with favor.

They also have it in New York, very, very bad. This from the Amsterdam News of New York City: "The most diabolical piece of race discrimination that has reached the light of day in this city for a generation has disgraced New York in the silly covenant signed by ninety-one property owners of Harlem, pledging themselves for fifteen years not to allow any part of their premises to be occupied in whole or in part by any Negro, mulatto, quadroon or octoroon of either sex, either as a tenant, guest, boarder or occupant in any other capacity, way or manner. It in no wise lessens their bold and bald attempt to make their neighborhood forbidden ground to colored people when they say later they have no desire to preclude or prevent Negroes or citizens of African descent from occupying the premises because of their color or race. Nor will any fair-minded court of law hold it otherwise. The instrument will be construed as a whole as to its motives and effects."

Prof. R. R. Wright, of Georgia, it is said, will again urge a semi-centennial demonstration on the part of the colored people in memory of their deliverance from bondage. It will be remembered that a movement of the kind was mentioned by Prof. Wright about the time the Louisville convention of the National Business Men's League declared for something of the same kind.

Prof. Wright, out of deference to the situation withdrew his "priority" claim, thinking as the country did, that the business men's movement would culminate in the glowing success pictured. What has recently happened all know. We can not reason out the wherefores of the professor's chances of doing something big and general in the face of what has happened or what has not happened. Sympathy at Washington seems to have been wanting. Will it yet be expected?

We are not so sure that the supposed appropriation amendment passed in the Senate of the Indiana legislature means very much. The amount, $25,000, for purchasing a site for a colored industrial school is conditioned, and perhaps fatally. As we understand it, the Governor is permitted to apply the money from the general fund for the purchase of land to be used as the site of an industrial school for colored children provided that in the opinion of the Governor, auditor of state, and treasurer of state, the general fund will permit such an expenditure before September 30, 1913.

Now if those directly interested can make more of it than this, they certainly have our permission. We are in for all that may be gotten of the legislature or any where else that means well for the colored people. As to this particular move, we know but very little, but stand for it, if it is anything. In speaking along the line at other times, we have advanced the idea that in the event of such a school that it should be near the center of the State. As it is understood, New Albany, or Floyd county is to be the site of the proposed institution. Let it go at that. $25,000 is a goodly sum any old place. However, it has something to do in working by all of those officials before September 30, 1913.

What's gettin' the matter, anyhow? Perhaps if the colored people wouldn't exhibit such an overweening fondness to be of the white people, they wouldn't always be met with repulse as seems the case today. In a manner the Negroes are the most aggressive race in the world. This is along the esthetic line—the effort to shine. The disposition has helped and hurt at the same time. Even thoughtful, well-bred Negroes resent the intrusion of the dressed up rowdy. True culture runs to the bone and not very often will it give offense.

The disposition helps in that it keeps warm the ambition to be somebody. It will not stand for the sacrifice of the individual, running to the feeling strongly that one person is just as good as another. But here is where so many fail to live up to their creed. If one person is as good as another, why ape another so faithfully? Why hang around, excepting in the case of duty? Do we find those who we claim to be as good as, hanging about us? Not very much, excepting in the case of duty. Here the disposition hurts.

To be as good is to feel and act as independent of, as conditions warrant. Don't be capricious—a monkey for a people today and their equals tomorrow. Respect is inspired by downright worth and not by "Brownie" like attitudes of swelling and blustering. The disposition hurts when the ego gets too strong, and the other little, big things mentioned. O, for the gift to see ourselves as others see us—with apology to Robert Burns.

CONSTITUTION.

Whatever have been the processes of constitution making, the majority opinion of those best posted holds that the constitution should spring from the people. This process admits of no doubt, whereas constitutions written by one man or a few men have stood the test just as many other things, simply because the people permitted them. Had the people been so inclined, when these instruments were made, any of them, peculiarly made, or that fail in the appearance of regularity, they could have demanded participation in their making. This, of course, is presumption, but based on custom and also the common regard for the rights of individuals.

These peculiarly made constitutions are permitted just as the constitutions and by-laws of most assemblages of today. The people were willing, no doubt, to forego their rights simply because their rights were a burden in the sense of the actual performance. In the lodge room and elsewhere the committee is selected by the whole people. These committees may be five or seven or nine, or more or less; but generally one man gets up the whole business, but simply because the others forego their rights. The document is signed by all and brought in, ratified or thrust aside. The non-acting members of the committee were only too glad to surrender their prerogatives. But had they chosen they could have demanded participation in the making, in the drafting of the constitution; either by assent, dissent or suggestion.

The people have no way to get into the making of the new constitution for the State of Indiana. The legislature says they may vote yes or no after matters are fixed up; but they must quietly wait until that time. In fact, the object is to make the people like it. They should have the say-so in the matter and not have it put up to them from an unexpected source.

The legislature is a creature of the constitution's whatever may be the subsequent legislation of the legislature as to how the instrument shall be repaired. A new constitution in effect means that we have no constitution—whatever legislatures or individuals may have done in similar instances the fact remains that it looks best, looks democratic to get an expression direct from the people, and also their participation.

As it is the democrats seem to be very careful of their advantage; they seem eager to inflict the State with something that it didn't expect nor had asked for. This anxiety is extremely disquieting and wears the aspect of partisan advantage. Here is no speculation when we know that the proposed process is being supported and opposed on a purely partisan basis.

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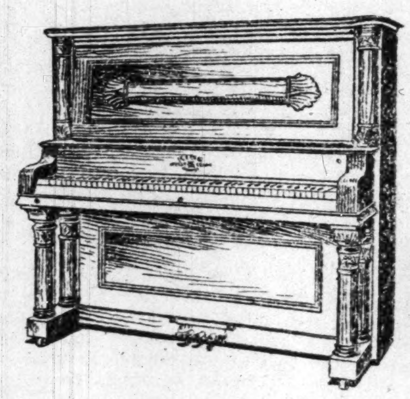

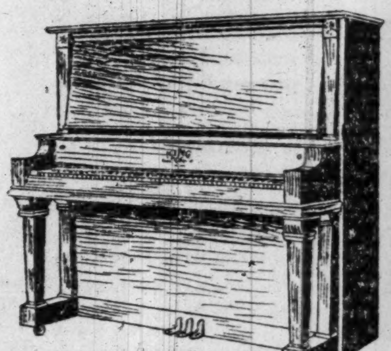

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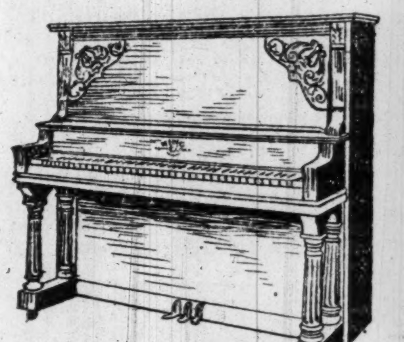

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"FROM FACTORY TO HOME" OPEN EVENINGS

Taylor and Taylor have been in Lexington, Ky., for two weeks.

John W. Cooper, the ventriloquist, is traveling through Pennsylvania.

The Pewees are at the McKinnie Theater, Augusta, Ga., for three weeks.

Bert Williams and the "Follies of 1910" are at the Tremont Theater, Boston, Mass.

Cole & Johnson's "Sambo Girls" are at Hammerstein's Theater in New York this week.

Henderson & Henderson have been engaged to go on Gus Sun's circuit for ten weeks.

Cooper & Robison, colored comedians, are at the Alhambra Theater, New York, this week.

The Blackburns (Harrison and Emma) are making good at the Ruby Theater in Galveston.

Paul Le Mero, formerly manager of the Crown Theater, Indianapolis, has left for parts unknown.

The Cubanola Trio reports great success with the song "I've Got Your Number and Nightingale."

Burns & Robbins, singing and talking comedians, are filling dates in and around Newark, N. J., in their new act.

Reports have reached The Freeman that Prof. Eph. Williams' Troubadours are meeting with reverses in Florida.

Myrtle Russell played a return engagement at the Lincoln Theater, New York, and scored a hit by her singing and dancing.

Paul Le Mero is no longer connected with the Crown Theater, Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. Roland S. Geyer is now in full charge.

Roberts & Brooks, who have been rehearsing their new act at the Orpheum Theater, Brooklyn, open this week at the Fulton Theater.

Ray & Williams are now touring the New England States, playing in Loew's circuit last week at Boston. Their act created quite an impression.

"In Old Kentucky" played to a full house last week at the Holiday Street Theater, Baltimore. John M. Powell is the manager. The band was great.

Prof. B. Scott, the well-known bandmaster, who now resides at Montclair, N. J., is now negotiating with a well-known circus to furnish music for the sideshow.

John Rucker is singing the comedy coon song, "If I Could See as Far Ahead as I Can See Behind. The audience at each performance insist on all the extra verses.

Miss Laura Brown, a great ragtime player, has added "Porcupine Rag," "Bear Rag," "Cat Rag" and "Lovey Joe" to her list, which she is introducing with great success in New Jersey.

The Hendersons, Billy and Beulah, opened at the Houston Theater, Louisville, Ky., on February 27, together with Carrie Hall, that careless comedienne, and promise to be favorites in the Fall City.

Miss Bessie M. Stafford, a member of Frank Montgomery's Ten Dixie Players, was called to her home in Indianapolis on account of the illness of her mother. She left Monday to join the company in Terre Haute, Ind.

Josephine Gaines, the colored soprano soloist of excellent worth who has displayed good judgment in the selection of solos best suited to her voice, appeared last week at the Crescent Theater, New York.

William E. Jones, the singing comedian, is featuring with great success the following songs: "Piano Man," "Honey Bunch" and "Gee, But It's Great to Meet a Friend from Your Home Town in Vaudeville."

The Southern Comedy Trio is still adding new laurels to its credit and continue to win applause at every performance. The universal verdict of all managers is that the trio is the best of its kind ever played in their theaters.

Frank Montgomery's Dixie Players are making a successful trip through Indiana. and expect to go East in the near future. Eddie Stafford is doing fine. Montgomery is the comedian and Elwood Woodring is taking the part of an old lady.

Mr. D. W. Batsell, has left Florence, Ala., to join the Dixie Minstrels, now playing at Ardmore, Okla. He will remain with the company until May, when he will go to Nashinville to join Prof. C. M. Davis' Concert Band, touring with Mazeppa, the educated horse.

Elmer Bowman, of the Billie Burke Company, ha swritten a new song, entitled "I Never Had a Man to Love Me Like You," which is being featured by Miss Elizabeth Murray, of the Madame Sherry Company, now playing at the New Amsterdam Theater, New York.

May & May are now heading the bill at the Little Savoy Theater, Memphis, Tenn. Butler May, well known as "String Beans," is making quite a hit with the people of the town. "Sweetie" is also very pleasing. She sings "Papa String Bean's Rag." Both are encored nightly.

From the name of Florence Montgomery on the program, one is led to suspect that the former Florence McClain is now the wife of Frank Montgomery, of the Dixie Players, the company recently formed in Indianapolis. She is said to be doing good work and will be heard from later on.

J. Beaman writes that he is in his fifth week at the Globe Theater, Jacksonville, Fla., featuring his own songs and original talk, also doing a novelty dance that is the talk of the town. Manager Crowd states that he is the biggest single hit that has ever played in his theater. Tim Owsley states Beaman's act this thoroughly original and far above others seen there.

Daniel W. Brown, head of the Famous American Jubilee Singers, tells of the great success his singers are having throughout the United Kingdom. His company sang with success at the well-known Welsh musical festival, better known in Wales as the Eisteddfodd. He has been invited to go to Cape Town, Africa, and is seriously considering the invitation.

It is becoming more and more evident that merit rather than favoritsim is winning on the stage. The other name for merit is hard work—getting osmething new or improving the old. It appears that many of our performers are too easily satisfied with what they can do. Thetrue artist is tireless and feels that he can always do just a little more and a little better to help things along. Have you got the feeling? If not, get it.

After a nine weeks' successful engagement with B. F. Seal's "Fun Promoters," Harry William Jefferson leaves to accept an engagement with Mr. L. D. Joel, the Theatrical King, at the Arcade Theater, Atlanta, Ga., for an indefinite period. Friends of the profession state that the B. F. Seals Company is O. K.—the ghost walks every Saturday night after the show without fail.

The World's Famous Ziegfeld Review of the Follies of 1910 will be seen in Baltimore for the first time, at Ford's Theater, during the week of March 13, coming direct from a long run at the Tremont Theater, Boston. The company includes Bickel and Watson, Best Williams, Bobby North, Billy Reeves, Harry Pilcer, William Shroeder, W. Wania, Lillian Lorrain, Fannie Brice, Shirley Kellog, Vera Maxwell and Anna Held's Girls.

King Williams' dogs and show company opened at Joy Theater, Chattanooga, Tenn., for two weeks, from February 20 to March 5. The dogs are still making a great hit. They are playing on Keith and Proctor time. Men who saw the performance told Manager L. T. Sword that it was the best three-dog act they had ever witnessed.

King and Josephine in their comedy sketch and songs are for above the average in that line.

A Rabbit's Foot Comedy Company has closed its season at Green Cove Springs, Fla., and are now at headquarters in Jacksonville, Fla. This famous company has had a very successful season. Mr. Pat Chappelle, owner and manager, states that the past season was one of the best financially that the show has ever had, notwithstanding that the company did not open until September 12. The show was very good and gave satisfaction everywhere it appeared. Mr. Chappelle has put his baggage car in storage in Jacksonville, and is now arranging to have his sleeping car that was destroyed by fire rebuilt in time for the next season, which opens on about the middle of next August. Mr. and Mrs. Chappelle will take a long rest. On account of Mr. Chappelle's health, they will in a few days go up in the country to Madison, Fla., for a stay of about six weeks, and about April 15 they will go to New York. About May 1 Mr. and Mrs. Chappelle will asil for Europe for a stay of two or three months in the old country. They txpect to visit all the principal cities in the continent, including London, Liverpool, Paris, Berlin, Rome and other points of interest. They will arrive home in New York City on about August 1, to prepare for the opening of the 1911-1912 season. Parties desiring to communicate with Mr. Chappelle can always reach him by mail by addressing him at Box 702, Jacksonville, Fla.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC EVENTS IN CHICAGO.

The Choral Study Club in "The Prodigal Son."

By Sylvester Russell.

If Sir Arthur Sullivan could have wakened for over an hour from his earthly slumber, the living hope of his sacred life would have been cherished in the most soul-like and pathetic oratorio of his works. "The Prodigal Son," which was rendered at Institutional Church last Monday evening, was more perfectly sung than I've ever heard it before. The soloists were something of a new surprise indeed, and fairly covered themselves with glory. Mrs. Helen Abbott Sayre, the soprano soloist, especially distinguished herself by her beauty of expression. Her voice possesses both color and sweetness, and was of sufficient power to convey the few heavy passages, for Sullivan's "Prodigal Son" is but a composition of musical embellishments. Mrs. Naive Coleman Lewis, a genuine contralto, in "Woe Unto Them That Rise," was a masterly rendition, for Sullivan had the ear of a genius for contralto music to fit the heavenly voice. James Worsham, the former operatic tenor, was in excellent voice, and delivered his music like in golden days. His voice has always been noted for its sweetness of ring and genuine tenor purity, but his artistic ai mhas always lacked vigor and his pronunciation void of distinctness. But in "No Chastening for the Present Seemeth to Be Joyous, but Grievous," he found relief in tone-fitness, which carried al ldoubt away. C. Creighton Thompson, baritone, who sang the bass score, was the king-pin o-the evening. His voice in quality was not only sweet and musical, but of great power and beauty of range. "Son, Father, I Have Sinned Against Heaven and in Thy Sight," was, oh, so very charming to the ear, and his comely grace so pleased the eye that this truly, now-to-be-called great artist moved the house to a stampede for a reception to which he bowed repeatedly. After all, it seems for the best that these great numbers need not be repeated except by very exceptional demand. The quartet, which was one of the minor interchanges, was a musical rarity, and one which the audience failed to comprehend. The chorus labored and their work was well. Even if the body of the male membership once lost heart in "Oh, That Men Would Praise the Lord," they found it again, and even if this chorus was a little unsteady, Prof. Pedro T. Tinsley, to whom great credit is due, was there with his power of command, to bring them back, and so all the entire performance was a total success. Miss M. Gertrude Jackson was a little heavy on the organ in the solo work, and Mrs. Pelagie S. Blair was at times shy on moderation, but their work was otherwise great. The club will produce S. Coleridge Taylor's new "Bon-Bon Suit" on June 12th.

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My Friend From Dixie—J. Leubrie Hill Makes His Chicago Debut as a Star —Finest Show of the Season.

There was a tornado of fun and an earthquake of joy sure enough at the Globe Theater on the evening of February 26th, when J. Leubrie Hill made his first appearance as a star, in "My Friend From Dixie," to a house that was completely filled. The book and music, which are by Mr. Hill, except the ensemble music, by Will H. Vodery, a composer of some note, was lavish in splendor and quickness, quite suitable to the play, but the finale of the last act was too mildly conceived. The Hill company, which is young at present, has excellent material among some of its members, who will be valuable in the future, as everybody who can do anything at all is given an opportunity. J. Leubrie Hill, who had long since been a member of the foremost musical companies, comes before us with quite a bit of experience. In the character of Mandy Lee, which is the first original creation of the kind seen upon the boards, was true to life, and therefore brightened by its charm. Mr. Hill's is a character that could and should be elaborated by next season. His dialect, as well as his wording and conception of the character, were all that could be desired, and in one early scene he made a hit that made people scream. Richard W. Shelton came in for second honors. His work as a comedian was exceptionally good, and will win more favor if he will continue to study out his course in his own original way.

Louis A. Mitchell was decidedly clever as old Jasper Green; not only was he a good actor, but he has a fine singing voice and magnetism to go with it. Will Brown was another good actor of the George W. Walker type, and his work was all executed with artistic polish, and he will have to learn the true art of making up, as will others of the company. Leona Marshall and Evon Robinson had little to do for leading ladies in the spotlight, and Mayme Butler, an excellent contralto, sang excellently in a medium style of song, and Anetta Watts, as a suffragette, was acceptably new. Others in the cast were Julia Gideon, Daisy Brown, Hattie Ackers, Ollie Leonard, Arthur Carr, Coleman L. Minor, Chas. H. Wood and Tiny Ray. There is great need for a prima donna in this company. The quartet and quintet did well, and the choruses were lively and well sung. This company is not only a dark horse that has entered in, but a new revelation, which proves alter all that white managers are still inclined to accept anything with sufficient merit to assure a safe return in box office receipts. This company, which is now the best leading colored attraction, as a whole, on the road, and playing the best class of houses, will need new scenery and costumes next season, and a careful rearrangement of some of its situations, both in story and music.

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Lost and Found Repeated at the Pekin.

"Lost and Found" was repeated at the Pekin to large houses by Jesse A. Shipp's capable players, and he used good judgment in selecting a popular success. Allie Gillam again scored heavily in his travesty on Vesta Victoria, and his tramp comedy was overjoying. Shelton Brooks, as Bert A. Williams, again created much merriment. Fanny Wise sang "Everyone Loves Some One" and made her usual big hit, if that is what encores mean. Marie E. Burton sang one of the classics in fine style and her trilling showed worthy art conception. The rest of the company in their usual parts did well.

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Vincent Draws With Schultz.

The Pekin was packed on Tuesday evening, when Illa Vincent, the Black Panther, met Schultz, one of the very beest white wrestlers in the field. The match lasted one hour, to a draw, and the house resounded with applause and excitement. Manager Motts was all anxiety during the performance of his star, who is much lighter than the white man. Another meeting has been slated for Friday evening, as usual.

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Bandana Four at the Monogram.

The Monogram was filled, as usual, to welcome back the Bandana Four, one of the finest singing quartets in the business. The comedy work of J. M. (Icky) Thomas was a feature, with William Hawkins and G. Henry Tapley as close seconds. Ed Goodbar, a genuine tenor, whose range is sweet and clear, was heavily encored in his solo. Hunter and Ayln were good comedy entertainers, singers and dancers. Miss Pauline Dempsey, except in the opening part of her monologue, proved to be a good second week hold-over, in her highly pleasing domestic specialty. There were two white women on the bill to help solve the race problem in colored theaters.

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Good Bill at the Grand.

The Grand had a bill that was exceptionally good. Bailey and Bailey were excellent entertainers of a high-class order. Mr. Bailey's dancing was a feature, especially in his "'lasses candy" act. Goldy Crosby, as would be expected, gave a good account of herself in song and dance specialties, and Monroe Tabor, the sweet tenor singer and yodler of the Georgia Minstrels, gave a nice, neat singing turn. Wiggins and Jennings, a white team of eccentric comedy actors and comic crayon artists, gave much pleasure and variety to their performance.

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Flurnoy Miller and Aubrey Lyles have arrived from the East for a one-week visit before going West.

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Mrphy and Francis are at the Uekin in Cincinnati. Owing to a large number of requests they have been offered a return date or so back to Chicago.

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Bert Murphy has just been made an offer to star by a New York manager, which he is to consider.

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Dink Stewart, of the Stewart Brothers, informs us that his brother, Alex Stewart, is porgressing nicely; not by benefits, but by the aid of his brother's labor. Dink is a good comedian, and managers will no doubt give him ample work.

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Joe Simms and Walter Thompson played the Gaiety during the last half of the week, and play at the Garrick Theater next week. Joe will keep busy. I apologized to Mr. Thompson when I saw him for his name having been omitted unintentionally in a recent Freeman article. He is a nice mannerly young gentleman, and so I apologized.

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There was a wide range of differences in opinion last week regarding Miss Hazel Harrison, the pianist. The Chicago Examiner criticized her work severely, but the Chicago Inter-Ocean gave her a flattering notice, and in justice to Miss Harrison I reproduce it:

"She gave evidence of unusual technical gifts and a good degree of appreciation of the poetic content. Her program was revere in its demands, but her success was deserved."

CINCINNATI, O., February 28.—The Pekin held over Murphy and Francis, and the manager in doing so showed that he made no mistake when he booked them for two weeks. He would have been well paid if he could have secured them for another week. This team shows unusual class among the colored vuadeville teams that show in these houses. They have the art of producing the kind of comedy the patrons of colored houses are looking for. Mitchell and Brady, who have been seen here before, doing about the same act, were well received, and Miss Lucy Shepherd, singing some new songs, makes up a very interesting bill.

The Goodloe Southern Belle Stock Company opened the Goither Monday night with a farce comedy entitled "A Thunderbolt in Bad Land." There is not much of a plot to the piece, but the stars, with the assistance of some good talent, produce a nice lot of comedy. The cast of characters is as follows: John Goodloe, Rob. Clark, George A. Green, Mrs. Ella Goodloe, Miss Nettie Clymer, Miss Sarah Dunn Martin, Miss Elmo Taylor and Miss Rosa Mottley, making up a nice bunch of entertainers.

SHOW SHOPS, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

By Arthur L. Prince.

This is the week theater-goers get their money's worth. Since the opening of the Happy Hour Theater with its advanced vaudeville, boxing bouts, wrestling and novelty acts, the other houses are falling in line and giving their patrons a good show along with the moving pictures. Mr. Wm. (Kid) Asher deserves much credit for setting the pace.

Auditorium Theater, J. Gibson, Mgr.

Manager Gibson is the happiest person on South street owing to a slight decrease in business last week. He got wise to the fact that a good show means good business and in fact the shop here has eclipsed all previous records with S. R. O. matinees and night performances. Miss Maud Thompson, a New York soubrette, appeared for the first time in the Quaker City. She is quite charming and won a host of admirers when she rendered her songs in that good old-fashioned way. The Mississippi Trio (Tom Delaney and the Smith Sisters) put on an act that was creditable. Crumley and Davis—monarchs of colored comedy and who are frankly designed for laughing purposes—were the third on the bill, with great credit due to Mr. Davis for his many difficult steps in dancing; both performers are very clever.

The Musical Vers (Chancey and Daisy Vervalin.)

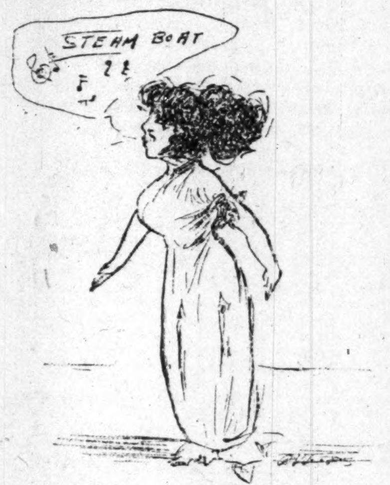
Have an act that will last. They use a variety of musical instruments. Chancey is an exceptionally clever cornetist and produces a broad and mellow tone. Mrs. Vervalin is also a good dancer as well as a musician and should play a trombone solo before closing the act with that sensational trombone and cornet finish. This team contributed much merriment, and completed the vaudeville portion of the entertainment.

Victoria Theater, Duncan & Scott, Mgrs.

This place has taken a tumble and fallen in line with the rest. The Duncan Stock Company began its fifth week of continuous prosperity with new songs, dances and several new faces. The stage is entirely too small to conveniently accommodate the big chorus of pretty girls. This attraction with its many attractive melodies, ingeniously staged special numbers and above all its opportunities for Miss Cuppie LaCal to show her characteristic qualities as a singing commedienne and versatile entertainer, is a delight from rise to fall of the curtain.

Happy Hour Theater, Wm. (Kid) Asher, Mgr.

This house like the rest must soon have a larger seating capacity as the little shop cannot accommodate more than two hundred and fifty. Mme. Pettus, who is well known to Quaker City theater-goers, headed the bill. The least that can be said of this actress is that she's clever and knows it, but looks for too much kind appaluse. Nugent and Smith, in an act entitled "In the Barrel," created roars of laughter and was a decided hit. Hall and Foster, singers and dancers, were well received; they should do more dancing and less singing; there's a reason. The last number on the bill was Musical Gaten who was doing nicely, but suffering from a bit of stage fright and when he finished his cornet solo he thought the audience was getting cold. He came to a sudden pause, looked down and saw the critics, then deliberately walked off the stage, packed his trunk and went back to New York.



NINA MITCHELL—AT THE—COLUMBIA—SINGING STEAM-BOAT-BILL!!

HOUSTON THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

The week of February 27, 1911, Henderson and Henderson opened the bill with a clean and up-to-date comedy. They are as good as ever, in fact a scream, making a hit with the audience. Carrie Hall, one of the greatest coon shouters seen here, is leaving them screaming. Margaret Cosby, the soubrette, is excellent and is as good as has been seen here; her costume is elaorate. Prof. A. E. Scafer, with his trained animals, is good; he is direct from Russia. His act is the first white act ever showed here in a colored house. The pictures are fine. The music, led by Mr. Ayer, traps by Wickliffe, and piano by Williams. Mr. Houston is all smiles to see the public appreciate good shows. They are playing stock and vaudeville.

MAJESTIC THEATER, HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Barrasso's Stock Company, headed by Jeff Webb (Airship) as stage director and producer, are playing here at the Majestic. Last week's show was an extreme laughable comedy, featuring the funny comedians, good singers and pretty girls.

DIXIE THEATER, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Kenner, Lewis and Williams Trio opened this week at this popular playhouse, and made a big hit, after playing five weeks at the Globe Theater, Jacksonville, Fla.

The Whiteman Sisters left for Richmond, Va., and the Raineys closed on the 25th inst. They have now the Matthews Family, acrobats, who are putting on a very clever act.

Bailey and Baily are also here.

HARRISON BROS.' MINSTRELS.

Harrison Bros. Minstrel car was completely destroyed by fire at Rodgers, Tex., February 23, between 5 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon. Prof. Willie Timmons lost an eighty-five dollar cornet and a one hundred and twenty-five-dollar saxaphone; Hamp Harper an eighty-five dollar trombone; Lester Fansie a Conn Alto and trombone; Thos. Thompson a B-flat Conn clarinet; Prof. Scott a one hundred and twenty-five dollar baritone and a valuable violin. Miss Effia Moore lost her trunk and all of her wardrobe and was slightly burned. Miss May Armstrong lost all her wardrobe. Mr. Busby, manager and owner, has ordered a car and parade uniforms and the show still rolls on through the Lone Star state; lucky the fire did not take place at night. Regards to all in and out of the profession. Brown and English write Thos. Thompson in care of The Freeman.

PARK THEATER, INDIANAPOLIS.

A dramatization of George Barr McCutcheon's romantic novel, "Graustark," will be the attraction at the Park Theater, Indianapolis, for three days, beginning March 6, with matinee daily. This story of a mythical kingdom has appealed to more than the average reader of novels. The first act brings Granfali Lorry ,the American, and his friend, Harry Anguish, to Edelweiss, Graustark, in search of the fair Miss Guggenslocker, whom Lorry met in America. They overhear a plot to abduct the ruling Princess of Graustark. In the second act the abduction plot is foiled by the two Americans, who learn that the mysterious Miss Guggenslocker is in reality the princess. In the succeeding acts the action is carried out to a final happy culmination of all parties concerned.

The company presenting the play is a thoroughly capable one. Miss Gene La Motte as the princess is charmingly girlish in the lighter scenes and most strong and convincing in the more emotional moments. Albert Swanson gives a most virile performance of Lorry, the American. The gowns worn by the ladies and the scenic equipment are lavish in the extreme.

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The last half of the week, Barney Gilmore, the eminent Irish singing comedian, comes in his new play, "Kelly From the Emerald Isle," a story of love and adventure. The story tells of the adventures of "Corney" Kelly, a lovable young Irishman. The scenes are laid at Bar O ranch near Fort Lamarie, Wyo. During the course of the play the star will sing some new songs, besides introducing some of the ever-popular old ones. An elaborate scenic production showing some beautiful scenes of the Far West is assured.

DARKTOWN SWELLS EN ROUTE.

Robert C. White, the genial and enterprising manager of the Darktown Swells, has scoured the plains of Texas, the turpentine fields of Arkansas, the sugar plantations of Louisiana, and has gotten together an awful line up of colored talent. They will please the most fastidious audience. Mr .White says he has visited a lot of the southern colored play houses and traveling shows and has noticed the audience getting up and walking out through the progress of the show on account of prohibited language being used. Mr. White says that never happened with his show, as this is a clean, moral minstrel, where there isn't anything said or done that will bring a blush to the most modest cheek. The line up is as follows: Orchestra pit, John Alexandria, first violin; John Danzee, cornet; Will Haywood, second violin; Bob Wood trombone; Chas. Woods, trap drummer; East Cellar, B. B. Bass; Clarence Whitney, Picolo; Mrs. Estella White, with the straight language; Miss Victoria Malone, Celia Roberts, Annabelle White, Mabel Underwood, coon songs; Happy Jack Ferguson, extreme end with Bob Davis; Jimmy Davis and Bob Carroll and Ernest Fan. Little Etola White challenge buck and wing dancer, who is the town talk. She doesn't know why the stage manager won't give her time to cut over fifty steps. This excuse is for her to save some for the encore. Etola is only ten years old, just think of it doing that many steps in thribble time. Miss Victoria Malone was to join this show last season but was sent to the vaudeville to learn a little more and she made good, for when she appeared to the company she had improved greatly. We will show Macon, Ga., from February 27 to March 4.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Boyd, Clifton.
Clark, Quallie.
Davis, Robert.
Gant, Robert H.
Hutt, Albert.
Henderson, R. O.
Holmes, James L.
Kennedy, W. Goff
Lockhart, Carter
Nealey, Walter.
Puggsley, Wm.
Prince, H. Morgan.
Turner, Alonzo
Taylor, Miss Ruby.
Wolfscale, Prof.
Wamego—Hindoo Juggler
Williams, Prof. Eph (2)
Washington-Prince Trio.

Ladies' List.

Cooksey, Miss Susie.
Dorsey, Miss Mattie.
Jones, Miss Tina.

AT THE AUDITORIUM THEATER .BEAUFORT, S. C.

The Merry Howards, E. D. and Nettie, and J. M. Day, were a howling success from the time they opened until the show closed. The Howards have fine costumes (that is what goes at this house) and they do good work. James Nelson is still meeting with success. He is billed as a phenomenal baritone and he is. Mrs. Ella B. Moore still holds her own as the fashion plate of the South. Chintz Moore is the owner and manager.

ROUTE.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY CO.—Norfolk, Va., March 6; Elizabeth, N. C., 7; Edenton, 8; Petersburg, 9; Richmond, 10; Fredericksburg, 11.

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Hod Carrier and his Wife, the man that fooled all the people all the time. By Juli Jones.

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A good all-around colored man who can double in band. Must be good singer and reliable. No booze fighters need apply. Wanted, a good, respectable colored woman. Must be good singer and dancer, one with recommendations preferred. Write at once to the Famous Hurst Family Musical Comedy Company, Winnepeg, Manitoba, Canada. General Delivery.

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Colored Aristocracy Minstrels

Will open their Spring and Summer Season at Augusta, Ga., March 20, 1911.

WANTED

Piano player, trap drummer with traps, singers, dancers, comedians, jugglers, drum major, 10 good looking girls who can sing for chorus work, two red hot comedians to feature. If you are not right up to the minute, don't write. Ten years old next April and never missed a salary day. Enough said. Address

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Minstrel and Vaudeville Performers for

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Under Canvas.

Musicians for band and orchestra. Musicians must read music, (no fakes). Performers with good specialties or doubling band. Large woman for Interlocutor. Good acts of any description for minstrel or vaudeville show. State lowest salary. I pay R. R. fare and board after show opens. Send photo (which will be returned) with age, color, weight and height.

EDWARD H. GRUZARD, Prop.,
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B. H. Nye's

Dixie Minstrels

will open about May 15, playing a summer season in parks on guarantees. A fine, pleasant tour for good performers. No muddy lots, no leaky tents.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT, BOYS?

WANT To hear from all the good minstrel boys who double band. Want good leader; good single novelty act to double interlecutor; double novelty act to double band or ballads in first part, and minstrel people in all lines. Name lowest salary.

SOMETHING DOING NEXT SEASON--GET IN THE WAGON.

Jim Crosby, Honey-Gal Edwards, Mose McQuitty, Jesse Reeves, Kid Smith, John Dennis write me at once. Regards to all. Address

B. H. NYE, Becker Hotel,
PIQUA, OHIO.

The Stage.

Miss Anita Wilkins is in Peru, Ind., spending a vacation of two weeks with her mother.

"My Friend From Dixie" has been holding the boards in a big way at the Hollidge Street Theater, Baltimore. J. Leubrie Hill and his forty stars have been bringing them in with the "assisted by the police" they say.

The Washington Bros. Quintette has just closed an engagement of twenty-seven weeks, meeting with great success. John Washington is now on the Gus Sun time. Played in Cleveland last week.

Howard Washington, the composer of a number of song hits, has been engaged by the New York Music House to take charge of their Western office. He will appear in the Cincinnati Music Hall May 23 as tenor. He will be the first Negro soloist to appear in that hall.

Kenner, Lewis & Williams Trio, after filling a five-weeks' successful engagement at Jacksonville, Fla., left for Charlotte, N. C., to fill an engagement there. They left to the regret of their many friends, and also Manager Frank Crowd, and Stage Manager Jno. H. Williams, who will miss them also. They are performers that one seldom comes in contact with. Versatile in every sense; and are there with the goods. The manager said before leaving: "Let me know when you want a job," and the patrons did not want to see them go.

B. H. Nye, well known as manager and agent of recognized colored shows, has completed plans to place his Greater Dixie Minstrels in a circuit of summer parks for the coming season. Mr. Nye will carry sixteen people, includinga ten-piece band, and will furnish a first-class performance throughout. The personnel of the company will include some of the best-known performers in the profession; elegant parade costumes and first part wardrobe will be used, and an order has been placed for a beautiful first part setting made of red plush draperies. Mr. Nye also states that requests for his company for next season have been so numerous that he is contemplating playing a winter season in the leading theaters. He wishes to hear from people in all lines and advertises in this issue for talent. Wants especially to hear from Billy Kersands.

WANTS TO HEAR FROM HER SISTER, NETTIE TAYLOR.

Jennie Taylor would like to hear from her sister, Nettie Taylor, supposed to be with Southern Smart Set Company. Jennie Taylor, the inquirer, is sick at her home, 214½ East Main street, Springfield, O. She will be much obliged for information concerning Nettie.

OLYMPIC THEATER CHARLESTON, S. C.

Philip Austin (Buster) is still here and going big. Glen and Glen, that comedy act, is still leaving them calling for more. Julius, the boy who is always springing some new step, is still with us and has something new in the line of buck dancing nightly. Edwards and Edwards, or Campbell and Edwards, are still the favorites, and they continue to work with class. They are some singers. B. E. Edwards is still putting on the shows, and the manager is more than pleased, and he shows his appreciation by tipping them both at the end of the week.

ST. LOUIS THEATRICAL NOTES.

Samuel P. Gardner and the Barrett Stock Company entertained the Smart Set Company at the residence of Miss Mary Doorman while they were in the city Monday. The company was playing Belleville and came to the city to spend the day....Booger Joins the Army, a military play which is now on at the Theatorium, is quite a hit.... Ella Gains, as the chief's daughter, is very clever. Gonzell White, an Indian maid, is singing "Silver Bell" and receives a number of encores. Ed Lee Coleman, as the Chief, deserves much credit and does his part well. Sam P. Gardner, who is doing the peg leg veteran, is a hit and one of the best in his line of work.....Madame Anita Wilkins leaves Saturday for Peru, Ind., for a two weeks' visit with her mother.

NOTES FROM THE DUVALL THEAATER, ATLANTA, GA.

Open with a big medley chorus with ten people, went big, and the olio was followed by Miss Bessie Oliver singing and dancing soubrette, who went well and was followed by the "Denslow Trio," who went well and Fountroy and Fountroy put on a swell act, entitled "Park Strollers, which went big. The Tennessee Quartet followed with a scream, then Wiggins and Wiggins followed with a singing and dancing act, which was a scream, the greatest buck and wing dancers on the earth. It has just leaked out that Jack (Ginger) Wiggins is one of the first "pickaninnys" that Irene Bentley ever worked. Sends his best regards to Pop Bennett and also his half brother, Kid Thomas. Mr. Chas. P. Bailey, who is the manager of this house, and who is the performers friend, would like to hear from all good performers. The Fountroys would like to hear from Miss Estella Crumley and also LeRoy Knox.

THE NASHVILLE STUDENTS EN ROUTE.

The show is still moving and doing nicely, under the reliable management of Prof. Harry Hull. Mr. Joe Jordon, our solo trombonist, has gone home after an illness of a few days. Mr. Ed Lauckford, our stage manager, is suffering from an attack of tonsilitis. Mr. and Mrs. Graves joined us at Lexington, Neb., and they have a neat act and receive rounds of applause. The quartett is composed of Herndon, first tenor; Ed Laukford, second tenor; Joe Jordon, first bass, and Harry Nay second bass. The team of Nay and Harris, those clever whirlwind and acrobatic buck dancers, are doing fine and featuring "Mandy." The olio is closed by Coy Herndon, "The Wizard of Hoopville." He is working the act as a girl, making a bigger novelty. Scenery is now being painted in Kansas City for this act. Our band is the talk of the town, under the direction of Prof. Perkins.

THE PAST OF THE STAGE.

By Juli Jones, Jr.

The managing editor of The Freeman has asked the writer to break his long silence and give his views on the present situation. The past is history in big black type in every actor and manager who are interested in the business. One will find it a hard matter to write interestingly upon this grave question, without infringing on men who have done all in their power to make the business a dramatic and a financial success for the colored brothers and sisters who have chosen this particular line of profession for future fame.

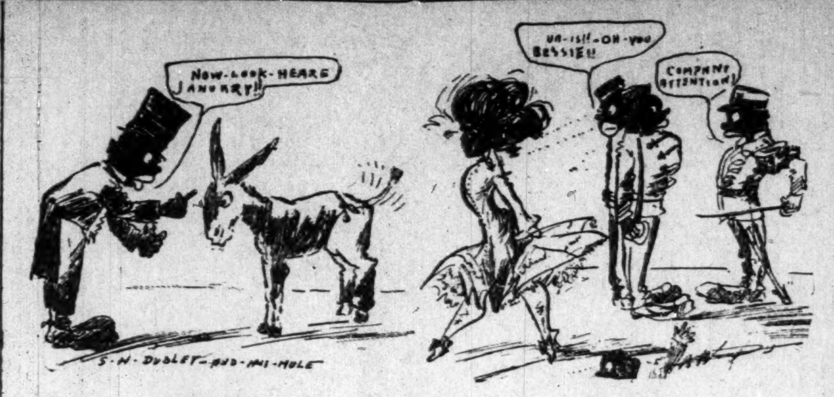
In summing up, one will have to stamp the second generation a flat failure both financially and artistically. Sorry, sorry to say, when we look over the past and the work done by the first generation, after the way had been blasted out by such men as Sam Lucas, Hyer Sisters, Billy Kersands, Chas. Hunn, Barney Hicks, Wallace King, Bohee Bros., McCabe and Young, Bill Henderson and the world's greatest entertainers, the Fiske Jubilee Singers. These first beginners rushed on the public before the smoke had cleared away from the battle of the civil war. Their gilt-edged work soon won them respect of the amusement world and opened the doors that were tightly shut and fought on for years.

Their inability to cope with the fast time was contributed to their lack of having an education in managers, writers and producers. But their hope was in the rising generation that was being schooled and would be shown the faults of the pioneers. The falling off of and the scattering of the first generation made the situation look as blue as it does today until a new Moses showed up in the form of Sam T. Jacks with his famous creoles. Through this show, the world was presented with the second generation of players and a manager, John W. Asbam, who felt that the colored player was entitled to a position alongside of his white brother. By stages, hard work and money, the colored player was landed on Broadway in New York proper. This same gallant feat in favor of the colored actor was the foundation of his present day failure as he was not properly equipped in every department to hold his ground in an interesting way. He had the wit the world had never heard of and was living up to his reputation as a singer, but could not stand alone in other departments that were just as essential as the actor, singer for young managers, writers, producers and composers. The success of the colored actors and actresses throughout the United States attracted just such a class of young people who had a little experience and have handled the colored showman. Thinking of the end of the business, that day we would have had with us Ernest Hogan, George Walker and also the use of Bob Cole. There were young men and a plenty of them who tried and tried to break into the business and were turned away coldly without their manuscripts even being looked over. All but one exception, Will Marion Cook. The great Paul Lawrence Dunbar attempted to break into the business, but gave it up in disgust.

The one man that might have given the world a better show than the greatest of all shows, Uncle Tom's Cabin, was Paul Dunbar. Another great writer attempted to take advantage of the situation. Phil Brown, after a trial at the business, packed his bag and left for the wilds of Kentucky; before leaving New York he made one statement, that the colored man would meet a flat failure in the business, as they absolutely refused to allow any one to write a line for them, that every part had to be a star. The star of the organization would not even read a colored writer's play.

Now we turn to the public who fell over one another to see and hear the Negro sing and dance and say funny things. Their support really meant for the Negro to do more, give them real farce comedy. The Negro had put improvement in corn-field shows, he could have done more but he sat back and waited and they are waiting until today. The colored actor stood in his own light by trying to write, act produce and manage. He would not stand for other colored men doing some of these important things and lost their only opportunity. That the white man has made a big success in this business can not be contradicted, because he presented shows with white actors and actresses doing big parts for Negro characters and keeping in touch with his country. It was plainly shown them that the public had tired of seeing an all Irish show or Dutch company, especially in a country where the inhabitants were mixed up with every nation under the sun. The amusement public wants life's characters and is interested in individuals, and do not care to see the same thing over and over again. Some great authors in the business will lay the falling off of the colored man in this particular business to the change of time, that the public wants cheap vaudeville. That's a fact, but the cheap public is still supporting the cheap actor. When the cheap actor found out that the cheap melodrama, Blood and Thunder shows, had played out he stepped on the small vaudeville stage. He allowed all of that to stand but that does not alter the present case or attention.

There are just as many and more first-class shows in the world than ever before. Why hasn't the colored man got one first-class show. Yes, there are hopes, but he will have mixed his follies and fancies and characteristics to fit the standing demanded, there will never be an all Negro first-class show again. The races are too mixed up in the public walk of life to single out enough humor to please the public. They read too much of the Negro and his dealings with the different races and nothing of his own dealings among themselves. It will go on record that the Negro will come back stronger than ever, but it is many a year off.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Coming to the Park Theatre week of March 13.

OLYMPIA THEATER, SPARTANBURG, S. C.

The Mack and Bradley Stock Co. never fails to please, introducing vaudeville, minstrel and high-class musical comedy. Headed by Mack & Bradley, with Bud White doing the straight, this being our fourth month here. Going some, isn't it? Green and Green, late of the Keith circuit, joined us last week and is going big. James White is still cleaning. Viola Wallace, soubrette, is still getting her share of honor. Golden Legge, the Black Paderewski, is still doing fine work as orchestra leader.

THEATRICAL NOTES FROM COLUMBUS, O., AND VICINITY.

The Band Concerts at the Dunbar Theater are largely attended every Sunday evening. Mr. S. White, director.

Mr. State Wright and his excellent Saxaphone Trio, is meeting with great success. He has added his No. 2 Saxaphone Trio.

Mr. Arthur Hopkins, the talented clarinetist, has refused several flattering offers, but we need Mr. Hopkins in Columbus.

P. G. Lowery will have a company of 19 people, the pick of the kings and queens of the white top.

Johnson and Lowery will open their big minstrel show April 10th, Leavenworth, Kan., with the Great Parkers No. 1 show.

THE SAVOY THEATER AT SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

Any colored performer that plays that house is subject to a first-class bilking, but if you are a white man, you can get your money. Prof. Williams, the man that runs the house, says he does not like negroes, and likes to beat them. He had two or three teams stuck in Springfield for board money and if it had not been for Mr. Homer Livingstone, they would have been sent to jail. This man says he comes from Timbucto, Africa. He is the darkest man to be so crazy over white folks. The bummest white act can come on and get paid, but no colored one can get there's. You cannot attach the box office as it has been attached since the theater opened. He says he has second sight, and is a greater man than Booker T. Washington. I'm the seventh colored team he has bilked, but I made a hard fight for mine. If you go to get your money he has police standing around so he can slap you in jail. There was a lady team there. If the railroads had not been good to them they could not have left town excepting in a patrol. So, colored performers that are doing nicely, don't go if you don't want trouble, as I'm the seventh colored team to be bilked by this colored manager. Thanking you for this favor,

JOSEPH RUSSELL.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING.

By S. Tutt Whitney, Southern Smart Set Company.

"Back in God's Country." More than one of the company made use of this expression as we crossed the river into Cairo, Ill. For nearly seven months we had been traveling south of the Mason and Dixon line, where one is eternally reminded, if there be a drop of negro blood in his veins, that he or she is a Negro. Where one is continually confronted by such signs as, "For Negroes Only," "This Side for Blacks," "Niggers Not Allowed," until it becomes nauseating—where everything is "Jim-Crowed" but the air you breathe.

I have been asked, "How do you stand it?" In the first place, I think colored people are naturally philosophers. Secondly, when one learns to attend strictly to one's business, with conduct becoming a lady or gentleman, one will find that he or she can get along almost anywhere. Thirdly, the colored people of the South are prodigal with their hospitality. To know them is to like them. When you give them a good show their enthusiasm is unbounded, and their praise unstinted. If there be any colored people in the North who think the Southern Negro is asleep, let them awake from their lethargy. Negroes in the South own homes that would grace Fifth Avenue, New York. In many of the smaller towns they own whole business blocks. They are engaged in nearly every line of business. Their professional men are keen, intelligent and thrifty. Farmers owning large plantations are common, and Negroes can produce competent workmen in every line of manual labor.

After watching two acts of our show, which evidently impressed him favorably, a white stage hand remarked: "The niggers are coming." I said: "Are you surprised?" He said: "I used to be, but I'll be d——d if niggers can't do d——n near anything a white man can do now." I said: "Do you white people ever stop to consider that you can scarcely find a Negro that has no white blood in his veins? How are you going to stop the progress of the 'pushingest,' 'hustlingest' blood in the world? You are trying to stop your own blood, which is only made more aggressive by the amalgamation." He said: "I believe you're right."

I believe the "Jim Crow" to be a blessing in disguise. It will establish a unity of purpose and a self-reliance as nothing else could possibly do. It is God's smelter. The Negro is being tried by fire, but in God's own time he will come from the gruelling test, refined even as pure gold.

I take this opportunity to thank the colored people of the South and Southwest for their support, their many courtesies and abundant hospitality, and will look forward to my next season's tour through the South with pleasureable anticipation.

THE SOUTHERN CIRCUIT.

J. D. Joel, Owner and Manager, Atlanta, Ga.

The following list of performers are now playing and booked with the Southern Vaudeville Circuit:

Moore & Moore, Boyd & Boyd, McNeil & McNeil, Porter & Porter, Ransom & Ransom, Tansel & Tansel, Cox & Cox, Clark, Hicks & Clark, The Pewees, Richmond Cross, Happy Howe, Sidney Coleman, Sarah Martin, Carrie Nugent, Pauline Crompton, Rebecca Reed, and others. Any one wishing to reach any of the above may write care of L. D. Joel, 81 Decatur Street, Atlanta, Ga., which mail will be forwarded to said party or parties. Any manager desiring any of the above acts may communicate with Mr. L. D. Joel, secretary-treasurer and booking manager Southern Vaudeville Circuit, Atlanta, Ga. All acts are at liberty when they complete their engagement on the circuit. Write now for the open time.

Mr. L. D. Joel, the theatrical king, wishes to advise all performers that are owing him money and have left the circuit, to kindly remit promptly, before he publishes a list in the Freeman. Don't let your name be on the list, which will do you no good. So get busy. Send part payment if you can't spare the full amount I pay off promptly every Saturday night, rain or shine. Have never missed a pay day. I don't mind accommodating performers by advancing money, but expect it back some day. Some people have owed me as long as a year, and I am getting tired of writing them. Perhaps their names in the deadhead list in the Freeman will bring them to terms. I will wait and have a little more patience before I send the list in, so keep your name off the list, and don't let the world know who and what you are. If you can't pay it and will write me and explain your circumstances, I will immediately send you a clear receipt in full, but I think I am due some sort of an explanation, if nothing else, for my money.

L. D. Joel, the theatrical king, is still alive, although he is wedged in between two of the best colored producers in the South, namely, Bob Russell and Marion Brooks, Bob being at the Famous Theater and Marion at the Central Theater, both theaters on each side of me. I have had both of the above producers under my management before, and know their ability as producers, and I am frank to admit I would much prefer seeing Marion back in Chicago and Bob in San Francisco. I mean, from a financial standpoint. But we must take it as it comes, so I guess the only chance I have is to work after hours while they are taking their peaceful slumber at night, and maybe I will then stand a slight chance in holding on to the job. Here's best wishes to the two best colored producers in the South today, and hope this time next year they will be owners and managers of theaters of their own.

AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

At the Interstate Convention of the Salvation Army, held in the First Congregational Church last week, a decision was practically reached that the welfare of the organization, particularly in the South, demanded a policy of segregation along the race line. After a heated debate, in which "cuss words" were avoided by the narrowest margin, it was decided to adopt a separation plan for the Southern States, and to organize for that section a Negro Salvation Army, with Negro officers at the head of the departments. Major E. White, of Atlanta, and Capt. Mark Wallace, of Jacksonville, Fla., urged the necessity for segregation, and Col. R. E. Holz and Capt. Joseph Atkinson, both of Philadelphia, vigorously opposed the color line in this work of uplifting the masses, styling such a course as un-Christian, unjust and unnecessary." A committee made up of Northerners and Southerners are at work on a plan looking to the organization of a Negro branch of the Boothites.

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An Associated Press dispatch of interest to the thousands of Zionites was that carried in the Mobile Register and the Montgomery advertiser of the 10th, concerning the work of Dr. J. S. Jackson, financial secretary of the A. M. E. Zion Church, as shown at the Bishops' Council in Mobile. The dispatch says:

"NEGRO CHURCH FINANCES GOOD.

"A report of finances that eclipsed all former reports was made by the Rev. J. S. Jackson, D. D., of Philadelphia, financial secretary of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, before the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Bishops, which has just closed its session here, in which a total of $66,105.22 was raised for the year 1910 for general funds and benevolences. The financial secretary has so manipulated the affairs of his department until the A. M. E. Zion Church is said to have the best financial rating of any Negro organization in America, and one better than some of the Negro republics."

This is a record that speaks for itself and is its own eulogist. Dr. Jackson's friends are urging him for the bishopric, and after this magnificent financial report was read, it is said his already high stock went up 50 per cent.

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"The School and Home Association," organized in connection with Normal School No. 2, has completed its roster of officers. The list is as follows: Dr. C. W. Childs, president; Dr. G. T. Sewell, vice-president; R. W. Thompson, corresponding secretary; C. M. Thomas, recording secretary; George D. Jenifer, treasurer; Dr. Lucy E. Moten, chairman of the Advisory Council, which comprises the official staff. The association observes "Douglass Day" tomorrow cellent chance of getting through. This evening, with Mr. A. H. Grimke as the principal speaker. Short talks on the lessons to be derived from the life of Douglass will be made by Prof. Kelly Miller, Dr. W. V. Tunnell, and former Recorder John C. Dancy.

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The Tuskegee Alumni Association, organized under call of Architect W. Sidney Pittman, has elected officers as follows: President, J. Lewis Taylor; vice-president, E. N. Broadnax; recording secretary, Porter E. Smith; chairman of the Executive Committee, W. Sidney Pittman. The membership is to include graduates, undergraduates and former teachers of the Tuskegee Institute. This is an organization that has long been needed in Washington, where over a hundred former Tuskegeeans reside, and it will be able to do much toward keeping alive the energetic "Tuskegee spirit," of which Dr. Washington speaks with such eloquence. It is expected that the "wizard" will arrange to speak for the association in the near future.

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Colored Indianians, recognizing that the Hoosier State seems to have fallen on evil days as a national quantity, are bestirring themselves. At an informal meeting, attended by a number of well-known citizens of the Hoosier State, it was decided to form an "Indiana Club," and endeavor to bring every Indianian at Washington into line with the organization. Among those in sympathy with the project are Albert J. Farley, Alexander Freeman, Joseph Blakey, Charles E. W. Brown, of Indianapolis; Harry Reynolds, of Jeffersonville; R. W. Thompson, of New Albany; George W. Jackson, of Peru; J. Frank Pettiford, of Franklin, and others. That such an organization is to be gotten together will doubtless be welcome news to the "folks at home," who have been wondering all these years why the fellows at the federal trough did not get a move on themselves and try to let people know that Indiana is on the map. Suggestions from the men in that State will prove quite helpful, and the committee invites a word of advice from any one in Indiana who is interested in the proposed movement.

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On Thursday evening Miss Lucille Hamilton Nooks, a charming "Wilberforcian," delightfully entertained a whist party at her home, 1314 V Street, Northwest. After an enjoyable series of games, a dainty luncheon was served. The parlors were beautifully decorated, and the "favors" were novel and appropriately distributed. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Nathan N. Nesbitt, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Dowling, Misses Edna Murray, Daisy Watson and Harriet Butler; Mrs. Grace Harlan; Messrs. J. Sherman Hunnicutt, W. L. Pollard, W. Preston Bayless, E. L. Burns, Percival Bruce, Norman Butler, Arthur White and Oscar E. Jones.

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Miss Vivian Lucile Thompson, of the choir of St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church, made her debut as a soprano soloist last Sunday morning, taking quite successfully one of the most exacting portions of the choral music of the stately service.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Mr. A. W. Lloyd, of St. Louis, Grand Chancelor of the K. of P.'s of the state of Missouri, was in Kansas City this week on his official visit....Mr. W. H. Owens, of 1519 East Eighteenth street, is ill at this writing. Mr. Owens is head waiter at the Savoy, one of Kansas City's leading hotels. Mr. Owens is a race man in every sense of the word. We hope for him a speedy recovery.... Kenneth H. Oden, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Oden, of 1808 East 24th street, has distinguished himself at Hampton Institute, Hampton, W. Va., by winning the one hundred dollar scholarship for his good behavior. This being his first year at the school, it was quite a surprise to the boy, as well as to his parents. These are the kind of boys that make great men. We hope others will take example....Rev. J. B. Parson, pastor of Second Christian church, is a delegate to the district convention in St. Louis.

PERU NOTES.

Mr. Henry Johnson, a well known resident of this city, died at the residence of Mrs. Kate Brown on East Third street, having made this place his home for the past thirty years. He was sick several weeks, suffering from a complication of diseases. The funeral services were held at the A. M. E. church, conducted by Rev. Cassie Jackson, the pastor. Mr. Jackson has made many friends here, who regret his death. He was buried in Oak Grove cemetery....We are glad to see our pastor, Rev. Cassie Jackson, at home again.

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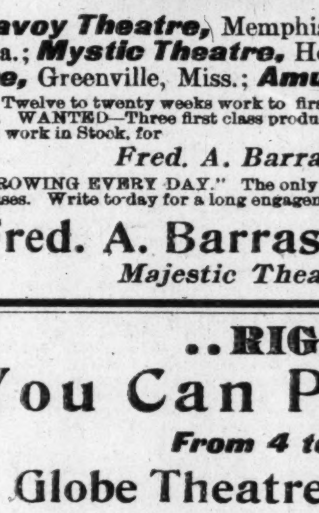

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And players don their suits;
While every wild-eyed bug will shout
With howls and growls and hoots.
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SPORTING NEWS.

Hugo Kelly, the Chicago middleweight, has been matched to fight Jim Smith, of New York, in this city on March 7.

The A. B. C.'s, the Sprudels, the Pluto's and a few more of the crack teams of Indiana ought to do some good things this season.

Base ball zeal is still on the increase. Some tossing in the extreme West and in the South where December is as pleasant as May.

Bob Fitzsimmons is at the Colonial Theater this week. He appears in a one-act playlet, assisted by his wife. Besides this he will tell of Reno as he saw it. Fitz is one of the most popular ex-champions.

The Union base ball team of Pittsburg, Pa., is made up of players from the Leland Giants, St. Paul Gophers and the Cleveland Giants. The aggregation is particularly strong and will take the field with great confidence.

Frank Hart, the famous Negro pedestrian, had at one time $150,000 in cash. He was inveigled into buying race horses and his money sped away from him just as it sped to him. He died a few years ago in Chicago practically penniless.

Kyle Whitney, of San Francisco, and Hock Bones, a local Negro middleweight, went eight fast rounds to a draw at the National Athletic Club at Memphis. While the referee failed to distinguish any difference in the fight, it was the general concensus of opinion that Whitney had the better of the argument.

Before the Langford-Lang fight in London last week, it was agreed that the winner was to meet Sam McVey, the champion heavyweight of Europe, also a Negro. The opinion over there holds that either Langford or Johnson can whip McVey. It seems that the big ones in the fighting game are all Negroes.

The base ball fever in Indianapolis was not so high in the past season as it was the season before. What's the matter? It apepars that the Sunday game is here to stay, according to a recent court decision. It means one very good day, not to speak of the interest that might be worked up for ball playing through the week.

Word has been received from Capt. William Embry, of Vincennes, Ind., that he would expect the captainship of the Milwaukee Club, and he will arrive in Milwaukee at once. It is also known that Pitcher Daniel Booker will wear a Milwaukee uniform this season. Mr. Booker is a well-known ball player all through the country.

Word has been received in this city that Jack Blackburn, the colored lightweight, had been released from prison and that he would leave for Australia, where he would re-enter the fighting game. Blackburn is an Indianapolis fighter and he was regarded as a championship possibility when he was convicted on the charge of murder in Baltimore.

Carl Morris, the Oklahoma "hope," is attracting considerable attention to his training. He is said to be doing good work, and has a nifty punch. He has taken on automobiling as a feature of his training. His trainer, Con Riley, styled the Muldoon of the West, is not willing to give out his verdict of the "hope's" fitness at this time. He is grooming his man with the utmost care. Will express himself later.

The following is a bunch of base ball champions of the Tenth cavalry, stationed at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont, all members of Troop B: Turner, captain and left field; Glem, catcher; Bradford, pitcher; Shelby, short stop; Talley, second base; Taylor, pitcher and right field; Barrows, catcher; Tompson, center field; Lockwood, right field; Green, first base; Shrivell, left field; Woods, center field; Dixon, R. Smith and Youngs, utility men. Alonzo Battles is the manager.

Champion Jack Johnson has finally declared his willingness to meet Sam Langford. As a provision of the articles of agreement he insists that $30,000 be guaranteed him as his end of the purse. It is not stated what he may expect in event he loses. Evidently he doesn't reckon on any such contingency. From San Francisco he sends out the following: "My opinion of Langford has not changed since the Langford-Lang fight in London, I still believe I can beat him easily."

Frank Hart, who won the Ashley belt in 1878 at Madison Square Garden, N. Y., was a native Haitien. He had a good education, being prepared for the legal fraternity. He lacked in some essential necessary for a good lawyer, consequently he side-tracked the profession and took up walking and running, finally winning his way to the front in these phases of sport. Dan O'Leary, the famous pedestrian, says his success was due to his superior education. He put his brains in the pedestrian business.

Two members of the nobility having seen Sam Langford's work with Lang in London last week, have agreed to furnish him all the money he wants to meet Jack Johnson. The noblemen are dead game sports and seem willing to take a chance. They will get a good run for the money for Sammy is exceedingly clever. But his size against him. This means his reach particularly. His propelling powers are nearly as good as Johnson's. He is built in a great bunch from his waist-line up. His legs and arms are considerably shorter than those of the champion's. At most, as we see it, he can only make a good stand. He seems as well scienced as the champion.

Battling Nelson is the hardest loser known to the sporting game. He has had fairly his own way at coming back, but it seems as if he is beyond recall. He is liked, however, because he is game. He says that he will be back in the ring inside of sixty days. He leaves Sunday for Hot Springs. From there he will go to John E. Madden's stock farm near Lexington, Ky., and live an outdoor life, training thoroughbreds. Finally, Nelson asserts, he will take on second-rater, and if he has the goods, will challenge the champion. John L. Sullivan was another hard loser. He was the nation's idol as a fighter and the last of that old school which used considerable bluff and expansion of white shirt fronts with miniature Kohinoor a la decoration. He threatened to come back, maintained he was yet the best man in the world. He was essentially brawn. Science had improved fighting tactics. Sullivan fell before the improved order of things.

BRINGS THE BACON

Langford Puts It Over Lang—Australian Fifty-Two Pounds Heavier Than the Negro—White Man Gives Foul Blow—Is Saved From Certain Knockout.

LONDON—Bill Lang, who once held the championship of Australia, was no match for Sam Langford, the American colored pugilist, in a scheduled twenty-round bout at the Olympia. Langford won in the sixth round, when Lang was disqualified; but the contest could not have gone much longer, as Lang was almost out when he committed the foul.

Six thousand spectators gathered at the Olympia to witness what they expected would be a long and fast fight, and they showed great disappointment when the contest ended so abruptly. After six fierce rounds, when Langford was down, the Australian in a dazed sort of way rushed at the Negro and struck him, and immediately the referee proclaimed Langford the winner.

The saying, "a good big man will always beat a good little man," proved a fallacy, for the Australian, with all his natural advantages, including an extra fifty-two pounds in weight, was hopelessly outclassed by the colored fighter, who walked into him and hit him from all angles where and when he willed.

Lang was all nerves. He seemed frightened, and his disqualification was the best thing that could have happened, for he was so groggy that he was bound to have been put out if he had not transgressed.

The only redeeming feature of Lang's showing was his gameness in taking punishment. As early as the first round Langford punched him all about the ring. In the second the Negro forced the Australian into a neutral corner and dropped him for a count of nine with terrific rights and lefts to the jaw.

Lang went down again for nine in the third round by a right to the point of the jaw, but came back in the fourth and stood up and exchanged left and right swings with Langford at a terrific rate. At that period of the bout both of Lang's eyes were almost closed and Langford was laughing.

The Australian took a long count twice more in the fifth, but in spite of the heavy punishment he carried the fight to Langford the next time up, and in a fast fighting rally put the latter down; but this was more by accident than anything else. Lang was greatly excited and pretty hazy by this time, and he rushed his opponent, striking him heavily before Langford could regain his feet.

THE DAY OF THE FIGHT.

News from London the day of the Langford-Lang fight was as follows: The greatest heavyweight fight England has had for many years is scheduled for decision tonight, when Sam Langford, the American Negro, and Bill Lang, champion of Australia, clash Tremendous interest is being manifested in the struggle, which will be decided at Hugh McIntosh's place at Olympia. It is being estimated that the receipts for the contest will be $50,000, which will break all records for boxing contests in this country.

The training quarters of both pugilists have been the rendezvous of society and many prominent actresses. Lang, the Australian, as the "hope of the white race," is the recipient of many mascots, among them being a Japanese lucky charm from Lady Constance Stewart Richardson, who created a sensation several years ago by barefoot dancing. Lady Constance also sent Lang a letter expressing the hope that he would win. Langford is still the favorite over Lang. It is estimated that about $175,000 has been wagered on the fight. The people would like to see Lang win, but they are not letting their sentiment get the best of their judgment.

Both men are in fine fettle and one of the best bouts in recent years is looked for. Langford is full of confidence and declares that a fight with Johnson, if it hinges on the outcome of his encounter with Lang, is as good as made.

The men will fight for 60 per cent. of the receipts divided on a 60 and 40 per cent. basis. Eugene Corri, stock broker and sportsman, will probably referee. Lang is also confident and the club physicians who examined him declare he is the finest physical specimen they have seen in many a day.

DOUGLASS CENTRE ATHLETICS. CHICAGO, ILL.

By Sylvester Russell.

The Douglas Centre Athletic Club gave the first of a series of home entertainments Saturday, February 18th. Illa Vincent, the black panther, was the feature of the evening, but only gave an exhibition with Calvan Raspas. He was to have wrestled with a man from the stock yards who has met with an accident and could not show up. There was an excellent program of youngsters. Charles (Feathers) Vernon wrestled Horace Taylor. The next was Calvan Restas and A. Brown, won by Respas. One of the cleverest things seen on the mat was between James Judge and LeRoy Bird, an Eighth regiment boy. The two kids got tangled up but Bird won the best two out of three. There were also two boxing matches. William Caldwell and Babe Adams, both weighing 138 pounds, went three fast rounds to a draw. Johnny Bell and Joe Godding, a little dark boy, as quick as lightning, who had a shade the best in three rounds, ended in a draw. Kid Monday (Robinson), the trainer made a speech in favor of sport as a true road to health for boys and invited them to join. Sam Allston is president of the club.

$30,000 PURSE TURNED DOWN.

No Meeting Soon Between Champion and Boston Tar Baby.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The long, drawn out battle of words that finally resulted in the championship contest between Jack Johnson and James J. Jeffries, bids fair to be repeated before another fight for the title is arranged.

Jack Johnson has turned down McIntosh's offer of a $30,000 purse, split 60 and 40, to meet Sam Langford. Johnson says he is willing to fight if guaranteed $30,000 for his end of the purse, but not otherwise.

He also objects to Eugene Corri, the London referee, whom McIntosh suggested as the third man in the ring for a battle to take place in London or Paris in May or June.

"I do not understand McIntosh," said Johnson. "He gave Tommy Burns £6,000, or $30,000, to box me in Australia, and I, who won the fight, received $5,000. I informed McIntosh some time ago that I would require as much as Burns received if I was wanted to defend my championship. Surely if he could afford to give Burns $30,000 in Sydney he can offer me an equal amount to box in a city like Paris or London. Another thing, even if my demand is met, I'll insist on an American referee. Eugene Corri is all right, but I want a countryman of mine in the ring when I fight abroad again; and, rely upon it, they will not change my mind on this point. I took the stand that I would name the referee in the fight with Jeffries, and they laughed; but when the time came Tex Rickard, who was my selection, filled the position."

TAR BABY IN LUCK.

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LONDON.—Hugh D. McIntosh, boxing promoter, said:

"My representative in San Francisco is negotiating with Jack Johnson to fight Sam Langford. The champion need not have any fear about Sam being willing to bet. He will do anything to make a match with Johnson."

Mr. Woodman, Langford's manager, says: "We have been chasing Jack Johnson for three years. Langford is ready at any time to fight him and will give him a side bet of any fair amount."

"There are two London clubs that are willing to give him a big purse, and Langford will fight him here or anywhere else on any fair terms."

After the "tar baby's" showing against Bill Lang, two members of the nobility and several substantial sportsmen have intimated their willingness to furnish all the money needed for a substantial bet on Langford.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

By Walker W. Thomas.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Pensacola Giants are getting in trim for the coming season, which will start here March 18. Lew Oliver is running from 10 to 20 miles a day to reduce weight, he having gained so many pounds since the season of last year. Cy Edwards, better known as Kid Boots, is claiming to be the champion player, although Joe Scottland and Jim Patton haven't lost out yet. Look out Boots for those. K. C. R. G. Goldstucker is making all arrangements to handle the crowds which will attend these games the coming season. Lincoln Park has just been finished off with $500 diamond. Great times next month here. Watch The Freeman. Will give all details. Can be found at all colored drug store.

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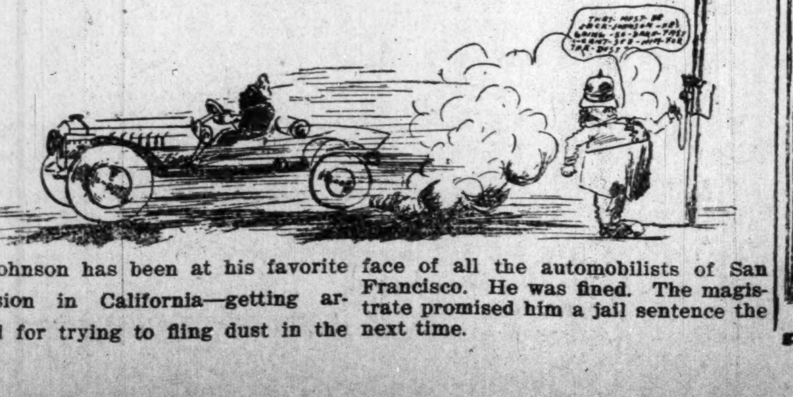

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

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Lewis Hanley is on the sick list.

Mrs. Harry Slater has returned home.

Mrs. Beatrice Graylor, of Jackson, Miss.,

Mrs. Olive Roundtree is on the sick list.

Mrs. Dora Malone continues ill at her home.

is visiting Mrs. George Gregory for two weeks.

Mr. William Young is visiting in Terre Haute this week.

Miss Allie Knight left Friday morning for Topeka, Kan.

Mrs. Henry Jackson is able to be up and around again.

Miss Bessie Jones entertained at cards Monday afternoon.

Mr. Oscar Cook is able to be out after three weeks' illness.

Mrs. Boyle Beck is home after an absence of four months.

George W. Hines entertained at a stag party Tuesday evening.

William B. Hall, of Xenia, O., passed through the city Monday.

The Woman's Club met with Mrs. Minnie Scott Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Robinson spent three days of this week at Connersville.

Miss Buelah West left Tuesday for a ten days' visit in Marion, Ind.

Mr. Burt Adams left for Louisville, Ky., Sunday for an indefinite stay.

Miss Ethel Walsh, of Chicago, is visiting Miss Nellie Curl this week.

Mrs. Mary E. Stafford is improving at her residence, 825 Blake street.

Mrs. Jessie Brock, of Lexington, Ky., is visiting in the city this week.

The State Board of Charities will serve dinner at Fielding's shop Sunday.

Mr. S. S. Haddex made a flyink trip to St. Louis this week on business.

Hear Mrs. Florence Finley sing at Bethel A. M. E. Church, March 9.

Mr. Harry E. Johnson has accepted a position with J. T. Powers & Son.

Little Miss Jessie Goodin is confined to her home with whooping cough.

Mrs. Florence Finley will render several selections at Bethel Church March 9.

Mrs. Ella Beatty is suffering from a sprained ankle she received last week.

The Busy Ladies' Club wi llmeet with Mrs. Zachary Jones Saturday afternoon.

Miss Nellie Wilson, of Danville, Ky., spent Saturday with Mrs. Bertha Jenkins.

Mrs. George Mitchell has moved from 913 N. West street to 516 W. Tenth street.

Dr. S. A. Furniss has added to the equipments of his office a new X-Ray machine.

The Friends Club met with Mrs. Annie Anderson in Missouri street, Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Gussie Greene entertained at dinner in honor of Mrs. Siebolt, of Battle Creek, Mich.

The Knedia Whist Club was entertained by Mrs. Granger in 25th street Friday afternoon.

The Beautifying Club of Calanthe held a business meeting at the Dumas Club Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. America Day, of Tampa, Fla., will be in the city for a few days in the interest of charity work.

Miss Lena Maxwell, of Chicago, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. George Elms, in West Indianapolis.

The Ladies' Alliance of Bethel Church met with Mrs. Laura Gaines Thursday afternoon in Fayette street.

All former Wilberforce University students, graduates and undergraduates, are earnestly requested to meet at Mrs. Mamie M. Gardner's residence, 755 Center street on Thursday, March 9th, at 8 p. m. Something very important will be presented for their consideration.

Mrs. James Sewall and little son, James, have returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Ohio.

The dinner served by the State Board of Charities at the new Pythian Hall on Sunday was a grand success.

Messrs. Howard and Harry Harris and John Randolph attended a reception at Franklin, Ind., Friday evening.

Mr. John L. Burton entertained at whist Friday evening. Dutch lunch was served to twenty invited gentlemen.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moore have returned home from a four weeks' trip in the South, and report a fine time.

Mrs. Marion Picklin, of Cincinnati, was a Sunday visitor in the city and witnessed the dedication of the Pythian Hall.

The Volunteers of Jones Tabernacle Church gave a musicale at the residence of Mrs. Clara Wallace Wednesday evening.

Mr. Jasper Jones, of French Lick, Ind., spent Saturday and Sunday with his brother, G. L. Jones, in West Eleventh st.

Services will continue every Friday and confirmation services after Sunday services at St. Philip's Church, throughout Lent.

Mrs. A. J. Allen, Mrs. Malone and son, of Logansport, spent oMnday as the gests of Mrs. Belle Davis, 919 N. West street.

The musicale given at the residence of Mr. A. H. Henderson Tuesday evening was largely attended, and enjoyed by all present.

The officers of the Witherspoon Presbyterian Church gave a banquet for the members only, served by Mrs. Black, on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. James Anderson, Miss Bethela Anderson and Mr. John Myers, of Chicago, attended the dedication of the new Pythian Hall Sunday.

Mr. Buckner Knox, of Louisville, Ky., passed through the city the first of the week enroute to Chicago for a week's stay among friends.

The Mission Sunday school, under the management of Mrs. Ella Peters, the state superintendent, will hold Sunday school at Flanner Guild.

Mrs. Lula Glass met with a painful but not serious accident, being run over by an unidentified automobile at Blake and Michigan streets, Tuesday night.

Invitations are out announcing a party to be given by the Topaz Cluster Club at the Pythian Hall, March 10. Dancing will be the attraction of the evening.

The Rose Bud Neddle Club will meet next Friday afternoon under the auspices of the Deaconess Board at the residence of Mrs. Clara Wallace, 721 Indiana ave.

Messrs. James Cook of French Lick, and Dudley Sebree of West Baden, Ind., were in the city Sunday to attend the dedication exercises of the Pythian temple.

C. K. Robinson, president of the C. K. Robinson Printing Company, of Chicago, was in the city last week. He attended the dedication services of the new K. P. Hall.

Hon. J. Ed. Green, member of the Illinois legislature, was in the city last week. He attended the dedicatory services of the new K. P. Hall. He resides in Chicago.

Mr. John Logan, formerly well known in this city, but now of Detroit, Mich., spent the first of the week with his mother, Mrs. John Thomas, on E. Walnut street.

Mrs. Margaret Preston, of Los Angeles, Cal., was in the city a few days last week, en route to her home fro ma month's stay in Marion, Ind., among relatives and friends.

The Elizabeth Carter Council will meet Tuesday evening at 1612 Yandes street. All members are requested to be present, as there is business of importance to transact.

The Topaz Cluster was entertained by Mrs. Grant Clay in the afternoon on Geo. Washington's birthday. The decorations corresponded with the day. A delicious luncheon was served.

Edith Estille Boone, the 15-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boone, 1145 Maderia avenue, Norwood, Ind., died February 28th, leaving a father, mother, a sister and two brothers.

The East End Business Club met with its president, Mrs. Richey, in Martindale avenue, Tuesday evening. A good program was rendered, and refreshments served. The club meets once a month.

Mrs. Marie Lyter left Saturday, February 25, to visit her sister, Mrs. Josie Lowery, of Chicago, and other friends in that city. The friends and members of Simpson Chapel wish her a pleasant trip.

The trustee board of Alpha Home will meet with Mrs. Julia Reed, 1915 Cornell avenue, March 8, and the association meeting will be held at the Y. M. C. A., on March 9. All members are urged to be present.

Mrs. James Granby, after spending four months in Chicago with her daughter, spent Sunday and Mondady in the city as the guest of Mrs. L. F. Martin, 615 W. North street, enroute to her home in Towan, Va.

Miss Rosalyne Edwards entertained a large number of her friends at dinner Monday evening. Green and white were the colors carried out, and the dinner corresponded. Whist was the feature after dinner.

The Blue Grass Club was organized at the residence of Mrs. Daisy Swope, 514 W. Tenth street, on the evening of February 16, and held a successful meeting with Mrs. Millie Pruitt, in Muskingum street, Tuesday evening, February 28.

The East End Needle Club was royally entertained at the residence of Mrs. Ellen Lewis, 436 W. Michigan street, last Friday afternoon. Rev. Burr was the guest of honor and gave a very interesting talk. A dainty luncheon was served.

The Courts of Calanthe held a reception in the parlors of the Dumas Club in honor of Supreme Worthy Counsellor G. S. Jones, of Cincinnati, Monday evening, from 7 to 9 o'clock. Mr. Jones gave an instructive address, which was highly appreciated by those present.

The B. T. H. S. Whist Club was the guest of Mrs. Annie Daniels at the home of Mrs. Lewis in North Senate avenue, Thursday afternoon of last week, at a Washington party. The decorations were American flags. The prizes were won as follows: Miss Lottie Harris, first; Mrs. Edward Bottoms, second; Miss Laura Robinson, booby. A pleasant afternoon was enjoyed and an elegant lunch was served.

The new Castle Hall of the Knights of Pythias was dedicated Sunday afternoon, being witnessed by 5,000 persons. The dedicatory address was delivered by the Rev. W. H. Weaver, of the Senate Avenue Presbyterian Church. Addresses were made by the Supreme Chancellor S. W. Greene, of New Orleans, Major R. R. Jackson, of Chicago, and other members of the order. The occasion reflects great credit upon the race.

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SHELBYVILLE, Ky., Feb. 24.—Mrs. Loula M. Jackson, prominently known as a missionary evangelist, died here at her home yesterday. She was very successful in her work and was favorably known throughout the country as a fluent speaker in the missionary field. Her death was sudden, and came as a shock to her friends and relatives.

Have your eyes examined FREE at Dr. Klaiber & Co., ninth floor, 906-907 State Life building. Read their great offer in their advertisement on the 8th page of this issue.

BETHEL CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. Smythe will preach tomorrow morning. In the evening at 7:45 the Men's Bible Class will observe its anniversary, at which time a program will be rendered. Mrs. Lucretia Knox will sing at both services. The Christian Endeavor prayer meeting will be led by Attorney Brockenburr.

Dr. Smythe visited the District Conference of the Richmond District at Franklin Wednesday.

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SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

Services were well attended all day last Sunday. The music in the evening at which the choir rendered all selections from the great masters, wass well attended. These musicals will be kept up regularly every fourth Sunday evening until further notice. The pastor and members are becoming very much interested in the beginning of the new church edifice and are using every legitimate way to accomplish the end before them. The church solicits the assistance of every man and woman in the city in the construction of the new edifice. If the church can receive 10 cents from every colored man and woman by the second Sunday in May during rally and ground breaking and one-tenth of each member's substance the church will be able to build the edifice with very little incumbrance. We appeal to all good thinking people, both white and colored to help us in this great work.

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OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH.

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Services last Sunday were conducted by the pastor. Both sermons were decidedly good, and each had its share in attendance. The pastor, though pleased with present results, is looking forward to more effectual work, and a deeper interest, from some of the members. Mr. Clifford Evan's Sunday school class, No. 5, of young men, were victorious last Sunday. Their collection of $1.05 gave them the possession of the banner. Collection and attendance of entire school was very good. A splendid B. Y. P. U. meeting was held and an excellent paper was read by Mr. Oscar Hums, presenting many beautiful thoughts and was highly complimented by all. At their meeting next Sunday the second chapter of Genesis, the second of a series of Bible studies will be taken up. Prayer meeting next Thursday night. The men of the church are urged to attend prayer meeting and receive a spiritual blessing. All are invited to attend.

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OLD TIMERS VISIT INDIANAPOLIS.

William N. Prather and Charles Parker, of Louisville, Ky., were visitors last week in Indianapolis. Both gentlemen were well known in this city; in fact, the cosmopolitan citizenship of the Hoosier metropolis is composed of more than one-half of Louisville people. Hence their visit was a veritable reunion of old acquaintances and friends. Many and varied were the tales to be exchanged. A number of years had intervened and the changes had brought grave cause for many interesting naratives.

Some were stories of blasted hopes and ambitions, while others were happy tales of success.

The visitors were much impressed with Indianapolis, and agreed that it was not a bad city in which to live. They were entertained at an elaborate breakfast at the home of Mr. J. D. Howard on the morning of their departure.

Bristow Morris, an ex-Louisville gentleman and a lifelong friend of Mr. Prather, was the toast master. Mr. Prather was enroute to Marion, Ind., being called there on account of the death of his father.

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MUSICAL AND QUARTET CONTEST.

A grand musical and quartet contest will be held at Bethel A. M. E. Church Monday evening, March 6, at 8:30, for the benefit of the organ fund, by the club, the State of Virginia. The following are the contestants: Silver Star Quartet, Starlight Glee Club Quartets Nos. 1 and 2, Mrs. S. Dungey, Mrs. Rhody Williams, John Morris, the choir and others. Mrs. Emma Duerson, governor.

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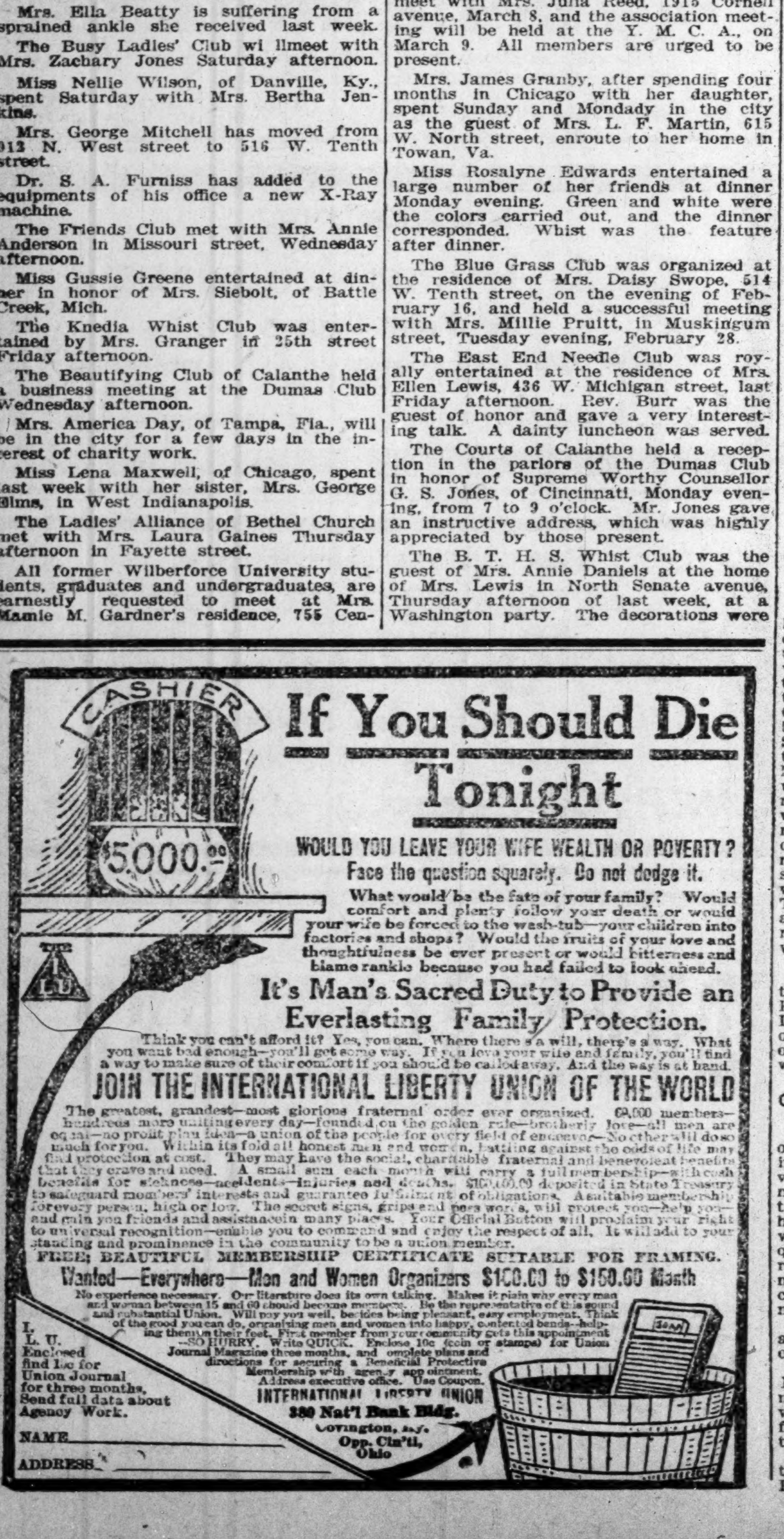

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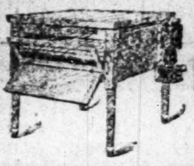

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